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Women's Week: celebrating the struggle

by Siobhan Murphy and Rebecca Games

Although it was cold and wet Sunday, over 200 people walked through downtown Victoria to celebrate International Women's Day.

The March began with M.C. Schraefel, a well-known local folk artist stirring up the crowd with several humorous songs. Most unforgettable were "Cars", which has subtle undertones of her feminist ideology and "Cannibals", showing the more vegetarian side of her character.

The history of International Women's Day goes back to March 8, 1908 when 30,000 female textile workers in New York City went on strike for higher wages and better working conditions.

Three months later 312 shops had full union contracts.

In 1910 March 8 was declared International Women's Day in Europe, and came to be known as a day of solidarity and protest. The women's movement grew in strength in the 1960s and 1970s, and in 1975 the United Nations proclaimed March 8 International Women's Day.

UVic Student Society President Susanne Klausen says that the struggle in New York is just one example of women's solidarity affecting change and improving the quality of life.

"If we could link arms in solidarity on any issue, whether its environmental or military, cultural or social we can win." she said.

Klausen says solidarity is essential for the women's movement,"it's great having women working on all fronts whether they are radical feminists or working businesswomen. Whether women are lesbians or heterosexuals we have to all work together because we have a long way to go."

photo by Alisa Gordaneer

Sunday's Women's Day march marked the beginning of International Women's Week in Victoria. Events are scheduled until March 12.

But one group of women that has been ignored by the movement are racial minorities, says Klausen.The native poet Lee Maracle who spoke Tuesday at Cinecenta agreed with Klausen. She said the women's movement especially ignored indigenous women.

Maracle cited a study the National Status of Women Action Group conducted on women of racial minorities living in Ontario.

"Along with Italian women, we (native women) are the least educated, have the highest number of single mothers, and very little money." she said.

Maracle says that indigenous women live in cities now, but that many women's groups look on women as white and don't often think of minorities.

"This is changing, and wherever you have a hard condition, historically women fight back."

Both Klausen and Maracle want to celebrate the victories women have achieved, like getting the vote, and those women who struggle the world over and refuse to be victims.

Klausen says that along with the celebration we must also realize there is a long way to go.

"The best example of the insidious nature of the patriarchy is the fact that every woman has to walk down the street late at night with two eyes in the back of her head. Many men still believe that women are the lesser of the two sexes," she said. □

The pick of the litter

by Dave Bigsby and Rachel Lloyd

A handful of law students in the Begbie Building lounge were treated to two dozen speeches and some heated discussion, Tuesday when the first all-candidates meeting for the UVic Students' Society (UVSS) elections was held.

Despite the fact most law students chose to eat their lunches in the hallway, rather than listen to candidates for their student government, candidates spoke and fielded questions for more than three hours.

Starting things off were ten of the twelve candidates running for the eleven positions of ordinary director.

With an abruptly short speech, **James Cowling** said he thinks he is a true representative of students, but freely admitted he had no concrete proposals to bring to the Board.

The next candidate, **Claire Hefferman**, said "I actually have something concrete," for students. Her concerns included reducing the use of pesticides on campus, co-ordinating student services, and getting a whirlpool and sauna put in the McKinnon Gym.

Edwin Leong said, "UVic has one of the most apathetic student societies around," and promised to improve upon this by being "available to students" and campaigning in the election.

Elizabeth Loughran, the only director running for re-election, said she would push for "equal rights for men and women in areas of employment and academia" at UVic. She said she will bring "devotion and open-mindedness" to the Board, which she says "has become my favourite class."

Shannon McAleese supported the dental and health plans, but criticized the "harmfulness" of including only oral contraceptives, which are dangerous to women's health. She wanted to see matching funding from various levels of government for projects such as SUB expansion.

"Middle of the road" candidate **Barry K. Mullen** described the present Board as "elitest" and "arrogant," and said he was "concerned" about the global perspective of the Board, which he said was brought about by "self-interested directors and their friends." Mullen, a director in 1984/5, said he was concerned about the quality of daycare and telephone registration, and proposed a survey to find how students felt about the latter.

George Pringle, though not currently a director, says he has "worked extensively with the present Board," which he accused of being "controlled by special interest groups."

He promised to decrease apathy by posting a newsletter, which he said could be economically produced with the Board's soon-to-be-purchased computer and photocopier. "I will work hard and spend long hours at it."

Cathy Richardson said she was running because "if student involvement is going to improve, I believe it must start with myself." She is in favour of the health and dental plans, and wants to start a food co-op for students.

Alan Ross said he was not going to let "bias impede proper decision making" on the Board. Although he said he supported the current Board's bias towards lowering tuition, he said "I want to hear the other side of the argument."

Bruce St. John and **Leena Sarkan** were not in attendance at Tuesday's meeting.

Senator **Scott Wisdahl** said his platform came down to "services . . . and a few other things, like daycare." He emphasized his experience on the Senate and a number of UVSS committee's. Wisdahl said he learned from his loss in the October by-election, saying "this time I'm going to tell you how good I am. I'm great."

The first of three candidates running for the position of Vice President Services, **Brian Clarke** called UVSS elections "dull, lifeless, boring . . . major yawnsville."

Referring to his platform from last

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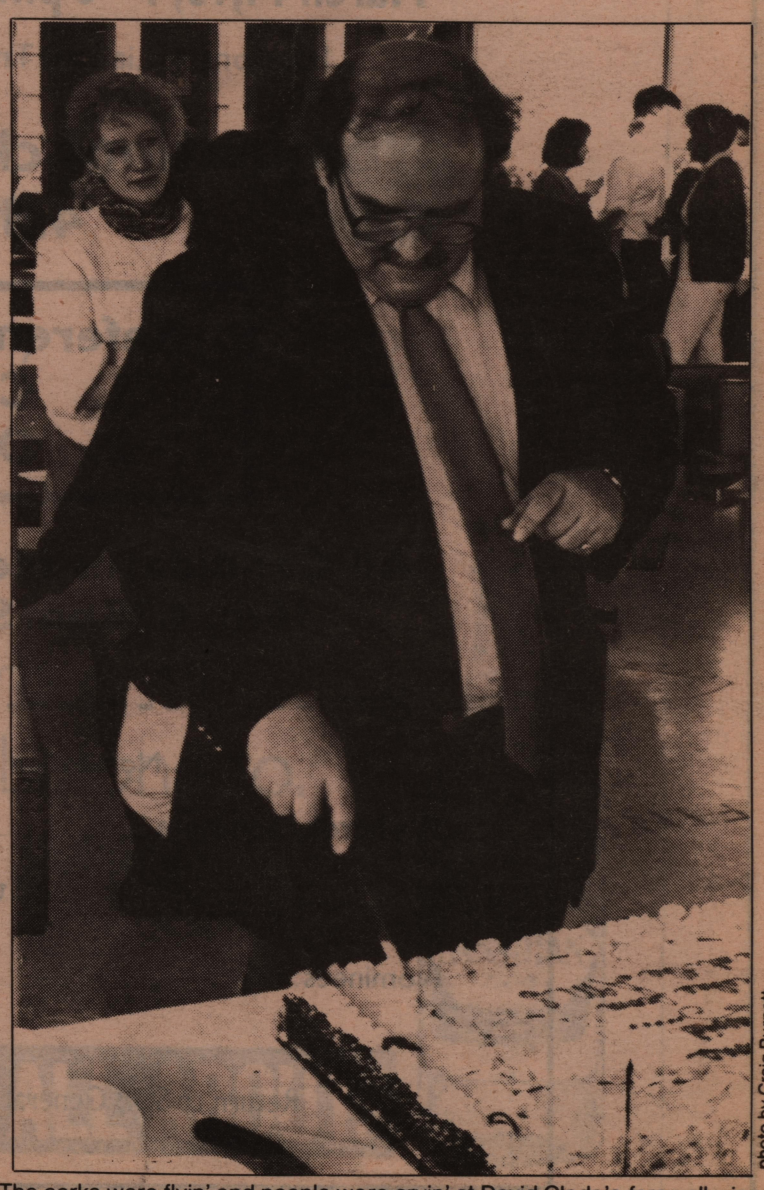

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The corks were flyin' and people were cryin' at David Clode's farewell wine and cheese party.

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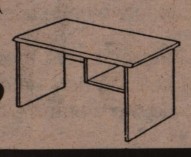

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Cafe Simpatico

by Michael Nozinski

Every second Friday, a half dozen volunteers descend upon a rented hall called The Cove and, with creative and collective effort transform it into a coffee-house taberna, a five-year institution around Victoria known as Cafe Simpatico.

The tables and chairs are pushed back to enlarge the dance floor, the walls are decorated with posters and artwork, the sound system is assembled, the tea and coffee are set brewing, and around 7:30 p.m., candles are lit and the doors are opened to the first customers who enjoy a bit of quiet chatting — charlando.

Around 8:00 or so, the educational segment of the evening begins. This might be a commercial video examining some aspect of Latin America Life, occasionally a National Film Board production is secured, but more often than not, one or another traveler and amateur photographer will share her or his slides and experiences.

Recent offerings have included a holiday jaunt to Costa Rica, and a look at Guatemala — her beautiful people and Mayan past, and her maniac present. After the slides, there's a few minutes for announcements, then a beer and wine bar is opened, and one or another Latin band strikes up the music. Soon the dance floor is packed.!

Some of the more contemplative might then retire to the anteroom to talk with friends, or glance at a Literature Table dedicated to recent releases — English and Spanish books which survey the entire Latin American world, with particular emphasis on Central America.

Cafe Simpatico draws a very mixed crowd: Mexicans, Guatemalans, Salvadorans, Chileans, Spanish and Portuguese, and Canadians who are often of a hyphenated ancestry — French-Ukrainian-German-Canadians etc.

Necessity dictates a small "cover charge" — $4 for the employed, $3 for student, pensioners, unemployed. None of the staff is paid, although the band is given an honorarium to defray expenses. All proceeds go to help refugees or for humanitarian work such as helping to sponsor a Guatemalan weaving cooperative. In a candle-lit coffee-house atmosphere, to a pulsing Latin beat, a mosaic of cultures, races and colors mix and mingle, improve their English, improve their Spanish, make friends and raise consciousness. 1923 Fernwood Rd. March 10 etc. Hasta la vista! □

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fall's election, Clarke said "I promised to get Victoria named the host city for the Commonwealth Games."

"It was!"

He also pointed to the reduction of the use of styrofoam in the SUB and increased representation by women on the Board as promises which had been fulfilled "and I wasn't even elected last time."

"Politicians would get more done if they took themselves less seriously, and that's why I'm running," he said.

Mojgan Diba's motto is "Students organizing for students." She would like to see UVic kept international by doing away with differential fees and organizing more student exchange programmes with third world countries.

She said she would support alternate ways of funding clubs such as co-sponsoring speakers and funding clubs' educational events, and she wanted to see UVSS events held over the Christmas and summer holidays.

Ted Godwin would like to see more space for students and clubs. He said clubs should organize co-events since "the budget is just getting tighter and tighter." Co-events would reduce staffing problems and increase profits, he said.

Godwin, presently a director, was repeatedly questioned about "ducking the issue" by abstaining on a motion at last Monday's Board meeting dealing with an anti-abortion campaign by UVic's Concern for Life Club. Godwin said he disagreed with the group, but thought the BOD did not define what they found offensive about the posters.

He said he did not want to "muzzle the group," but said he *would* "reject immediately" posters of naked women.

Both candidates for VP Finance felt the position should bear responsibility for nursing the BOD's fiscal health, but disagreed about what should be done with the money.

Jason Langlois wants to give more money to course unions if they act as "defenders of the students, not just social clubs," and less money to "petty clubs."

Langlois said he was against giving money to outside sources, although he admitted these expenditures make up less than 1 percent of the UVSS budget. "I'm not necessarily against funding off-campus organizations" provided the UVSS gets an "appreciable return."

"I think it is the primary role of the VP Finance to make the BOD aware of the limited funds available," said Langlois, adding he realized such stands could sometimes make him unpopular.

"Being liked has never been a big agenda item for me," he said.

Brian Menzies thinks the VP Finance should be accountable for the UVSS's finances — "the person students can point their fingers at."

He commented on the need for funding for scholarships, clubs, and course unions, and fielded questions on wages in the SUB.

While saying the wages were fairly low, he said to employ more students and keep services "open to the most students, you must keep wages at a certain amount."

Kelly Abeysinghe was elected to the position of VP Academic by acclamation. She said that this year's BOD has done some very good work, "students are not aware of a lot of the things we do."

She pointed to the briefs which had been prepared for various levels of government and for such organizations as B.C. Transit, which she hopes will be successful in lowering bus fares for UVic students to 75 cents, even though general fares are going up to one dollar.

Abeysinghe also urged students to support the health and dental plans which are referendum questions this election.

She said the plan would cover things not supported by B.C. Med such as ambulance fees, out of province emergencies, and prescription drugs including oral contraceptives which cost over $15 a month.

When questioned about the opting out clause, Abeysinghe said that only students currently covered by a supplemental plan besides B.C. Med, such as their parents plan, could opt out. Everyone else would have to pay the $36 a year.

"I know a lot of people are going to have a problem with that," she said. □

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Building expansion on campus

by Jodie Stockand

UVic will at long last see some building expansion taking place with the advent of a new Five-year Capital Plan for 1988/89. VP Administration Trevor Mathews said this is primarily a catch-up programme to move several departments from temporary space that they now occupy to permanent homes in the new structures.

"It's not a great net increase in space, but it will allow departments in temporary facilities to move into permanent facilities," says Mathews.

Design work for phase three of the MacLaurin complex and an office building for the Faculty of Engineering have both received the nod from the provincial government.

The expansion of the MacLaurin complex has been UVic's number one building priority since 1981.

Construction is scheduled to begin in November, 1989.

By 1991, the five schools of the Faculty of Human and Social Development, the Department of Creative Writing, and Department of History in Art, will move from their temporary homes to the new building.

Some of the schools in the Faculty of Human and Social Development are badly in need of more room, said Mathews. The School of Health Information Science, for example, is now cramped in the Sedgewick Building.

The office building for the Faculty of Engineering will provide space for new faculty in the Electrical, Mechanical, and Computer Engineering programmes as well as for members of the Department of Computer Science which joined the Faculty on July 1, 1988.

Both projects will include additional classroom and seminar space and will liberate badly needed space in the library, Clearihue, Sedgewick, and Cornett buildings. N-, O-, J-, and K-huts will also be removed as a result of the relocating of the Engineering Faculty's office requirements.

Is this increased support from the government the beginning of a trend? UVic President Howard Petch believes so.

"There is reason to be optimistic at this time. The whole climate (of government-university relations) is changing." He says that a major announcement from the government concerning universities is anticipated shortly.

The results of this turn around may not be immediately apparent; however, by the early 1990s the projects in the Capital Plan will be taking shape.

Another project up for approval is a Visual Arts facility. Presently, the Department of Visual Arts is located in various WW II army huts, and part of the building originally designated for the Department of Building and Grounds. The planning studies with the proposed needs of the Department will soon be awaiting approval from the government.

"There is good reason to be positive," says Dean of Fine Arts, Dr Welch.

A major addition to the McKinnon Building and the development of a School of Business are also included in the current Five Year Plan.

With the Old Gym gone, a small addition to the McKinnon Building has been approved for construction this year.

The Business Programme was initially approved in 1983, subject to funding and available space. Increased enrollment and the subsequent shortage of space at UVic has put this programme on hold until now. Once the MacLaurin phase 3 project has been completed, there may be room for the development of a Business Programme in the next five years.

Mathews says they are proceeding with caution given that UVic is a relatively small campus.

"You have to be careful what you put on your campus, it must be something the students need and will use."

He emphasizes UVic is still on the way to recovering from a short-fall of space, though he is hopeful it is the beginning of an upward trend. □

photo by Blair Hill

Is any of this stuff yours? Traffic and Security has a whole room dedicated to lost and found. Glasses, books, lawn chairs and luggage are among many of the things people have not claimed.

Lost souls here

by Tim Lowan

The cry of lost souls echoes from a small building on the north end of campus: souls and wallets and jackets and glasses and books and enough jewelry to choke a horse.

This is the Lost and Found Department in Traffic and Security: a vast repository for the forgotten side of UVic, where a tireless staff works day and night to catalogue and return our misplaced valuables.

Traffic and Security get the lost articles from almost every building on campus: Clearihue, MacLaurin, Library, Center — you lost it, they got it.

Every Wednesday, lost articles are collected from these buildings and brought to clutter up the limited office floor space of the Saunders building.

Lucky winners, who thought to put their name and student number on their stuff, are then called and informed that the article in question has been found.

Much of what is turned in, however, has no identification.

These things go into the storeroom. Hats, gloves, bags, books, notes, glasses, umbrellas, etc., all wait there for the owners to come and identify them. In another drawer, cameras, calculators, jewelry, and watches glint like buried treasure.

Sometimes, attempting to find the owners of even carefully identified material is not easy.

Don Marykuca, manager of Traffic and Security, says if people fail to update their telephone number with Records when they move, they cannot be called.

If you have lost something, despair not! It may have been turned in and be sitting in one of these dark drawers. Two hundred dollar glasses wait for someone to come and sign for them. Why are people not picking these things up? At the end of the semester, everything goes to charity.

So, if you have lost something, go past the book store, battle through the murky depths of the parking lot, ford the ring-road, dance down the non-yellow, non-brick pathway, turn right and there you are. Walk in, turn around three times and say,'Hi, can you help me? I've lost my _____ _____ (your stuff here)." □

World garbage increasing

by Wayne Hiltz

MONTREAL (CUP) — Paul Connett thinks garbage is exciting.

But the waste management expert warned students at Concordia University recently that we cannot continue living a throw-away society and using waste disposal processes that harm the environment, such as landfilling and incineration.

"Our generation is consuming resources faster than any previous one in history," Connett said. "By our actions we are waging war on the future and our own grandchildren."

"The greenhouse effect is telling us that you can't have business as usual. It's destroying our planet."

Connett, a chemistry professor at New York's St. Lawrence University and the national co-ordinator of Work on Waste, advocates recycling as a solution to the planet's waste disposal problems.

"There's so much more energy to be saved by reusing and recycling those materials that we'll ever get by burning them," he said. "Recycling also conserves our resouces and reduces pollution when we extract these minerals."

He criticized politicians who doubt that people are willing to separate their garbage at home, saying community groups can come up with imaginative solutions which can create jobs and foster community spirit.

Recycling is also an important way to show people that they are not powerless in bringing about change in the worldwide environmental crisis, according to Connett.

"Every person on this planet is involved in this problem and everyone can be part of the solution."

Connett said landfilling is inappropriate: the planet doesn't have the space needed to dipose of all the garbage. It is also dangerous because dumping enormous amounts of toxic and organic material into the ground will eventually poison the groundwater and the soil, he said.

Incinerator advocates agree that we must reduce our dependence on landfills, Connett said, but he tore into their "Rambo approach."

"When you don't like something, you take out a flamethrower and zap it!"

Connett dismissed the myth that incineration completely destroys garbage. Studies show that three tonnes of waste are converted into one tonne of frequently toxic ash.

Victoria recently began a recycling program. If anyone is interested in participating, contact: Roz Mellander, 388-4421. □

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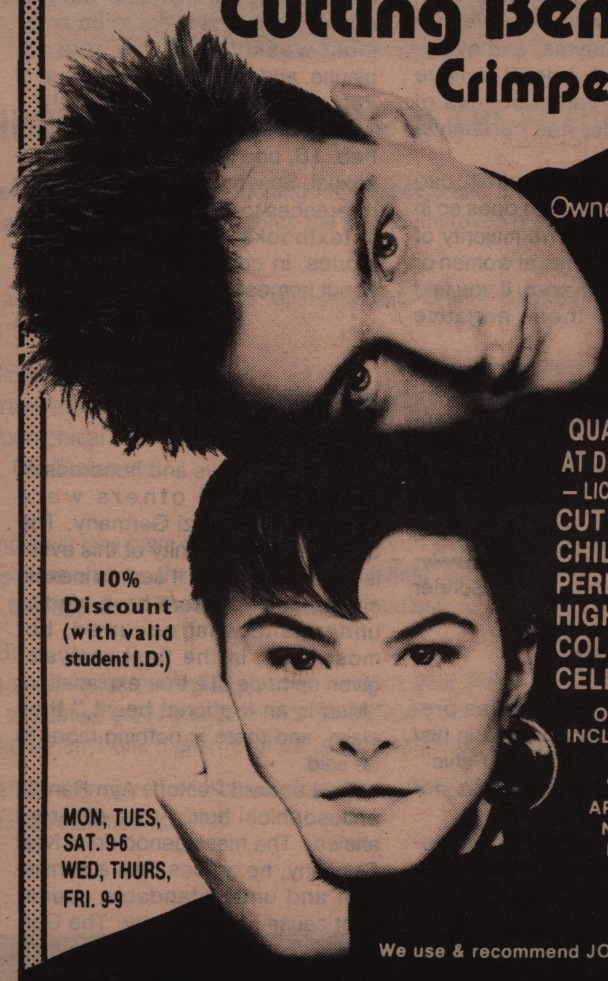

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EDITORIAL

Getting a healthy plan?

Next Monday, UVic students will be voting on whether they want an extended health care plan for the campus. Despite some not particularly "clean" tactics on the part of the BOD, and students being unable to opt out of the plan, it seems like voting "yes" will not subjugate students to a lifetime of suffering under the hands of Mutual Life Insurance.

After examining the plan fairly closely, in fact, it seems like students will get very solid value for their $35.40.

If you are a woman on the pill, odds are you will save a substantial amount of money with this plan, and if it was not for the harmful effects associated with this form of contraception, the idea of getting a year's worth of protection for $35.40 would probably immediately sell many people. Of course, if you don't mind waiting, you can already get pills for $6.50 a package (as opposed to over $14 regularly) at the Birth Control Clinic on Cook Street.

If you ride your bike to campus, you're probably aware that the entrance to campus is an accident waiting to happen. This plan offers good accident coverage up to $5000, including ambulance rides.

These, along with all the other benefits such as dental accident coverage and out of province coverage, cover things not covered by B.C. Medical.

If all this sounds too good to be true, there are, of course, a few snags.

Insurance companies do not exist merely to make our lives more rosy and wonderful.

First, if you guesstimate that at least half the women on campus are probably on the pill, and then work out their present costs versus the $2.95 they will pay with the plan, you might discover that the company will not be making too much money from the plan this year. This means that the annually renegotiated plan will probably decrease in service and increase in price over the next few years.

As has been pointed out, however, we do have the option to only be with the plan for a year, so maybe we should take advantage of the introductory offer.

Second, if the programme is adopted, and you do not want to take part in it, you don't have a choice.

The only people who can opt out, are people who are covered by a supplementary plan already — that's coverage *on top of* B.C. Medical. If all you pay for now is B.C. Med, you are going to have to pay this amount or face being kicked out of school for not paying your fees.

Third, the fine print has not been worked out, although the UVic Students' Society (UVSS) indicates that the costs and services are set.

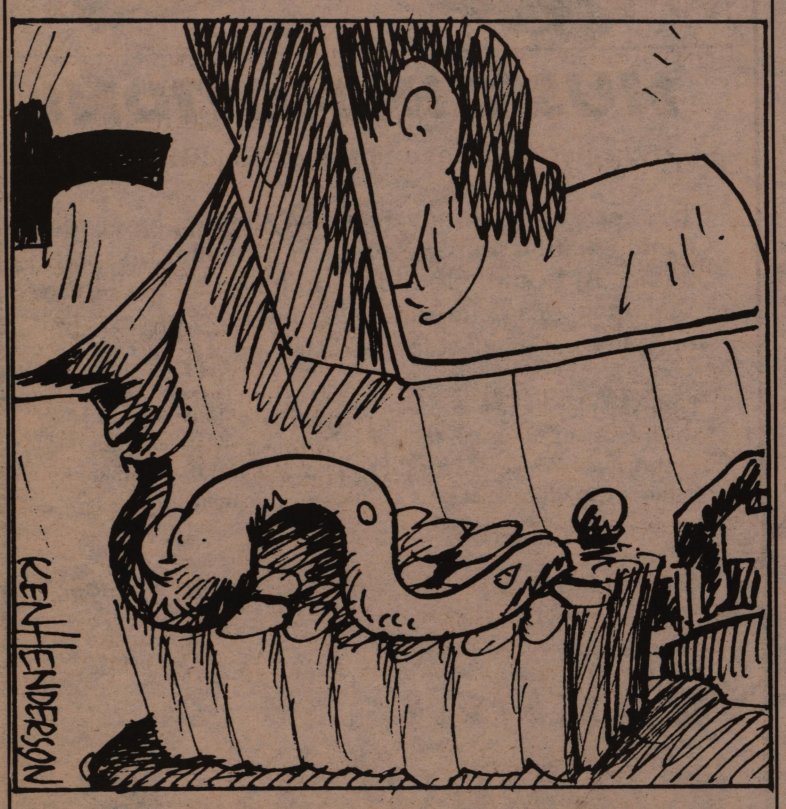
Probably the biggest problem with the plan is not the physical plan itself, but the way the UVSS has chosen to push it. Their decision to include "fair" information on the actual referendum ballots about the plan has been described as "slimy" by one director, and it is hard not to agree with this assessment.

If students do not know what the plan is, they should not be voting, and giving them biased information on the actual ballots is not going to help anyone except the YES side.

The whole action sets a dangerous precedent.

But tactics and imperfections aside, being able to present a card at a drug store and obtain prescription drugs without shelling out money and waiting for a reimbursement is a welcome development. The UVSS has indicated that getting other contraceptives on the plan can be addressed, along with other problems, after we see how a year on the plan works.

The UVSS should be applauded for putting options like this and the dental plan before students. □



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Negative stereotypes

Editors:

I guess I'll have to defend my point of view on the "Portrait of Panic" comics one more time. Maybe I haven't been specific enough as to the offensive material contained therein. The offense, for me, is in the dangerous stereotypes these comics depict. For example, all lesbians are portrayed as having animosity towards men, and men are stereotyped as cruel, stupid and homophobic. By panning these cartoons I am in no way trying to discriminate against lesbians.

If anything, I am trying to save them from negative stereotypes. I guess they don't feel they are being depicted in a negative way.

If these cartoons are an accurate depiction of lesbians, then I am sorry (in more ways than one). If they are not accurate, then it is your problem Sina Queyras, and everyone else as well. I don't believe these cartoons depict scenes of reality. If they do, it is certainly a skewed reality.

Why is it that every "portrait" cartoon that mentions a man does so in a negative manner? The majority of men don't throw stones at women or beat their wives. I'm sorry if you find A. Musement in these negative stereotypes.

Some of the other cartoons managed to portray homosexual experiences without resorting to using negative stereotypes. I applaud their effort. Hopefully the author of "Portrait of Panic" will realize men too object to being stereotyped.

Sincerely,
D. Schrier

Is it the absence?

Editors:

I see that a D. Schrier has presumed to speak for lesbians in his/her letters about "Portrait of Panic". Let it be known that D. does not speak for this lesbian.

I feel neither offended or degraded by "Portrait of Panic". In fact, I find it entertaining, and look forward to its appearance in the *Martlet* every week. "Portrait of panic" speaks to my experiences and to those of the many other lesbians I know. As A. Mused observed, it is "an accurate and amusing depiction" of our lives, to those of us who like to laugh at ourselves once in a while.

Perhaps I expose my ignorance when I say I see nothing in "Portrait of Panic" that should offend anyone. Of the 20 that I have in front of me now, only 5 make any reference at all to heterosexuality or to men, and only two of those could possibly be construed as anti-male or anti-heterosexual, and that by the MOST paranoid of minds.

Is it the *absence* of male images/identification/references that offends?

I do not agree with Ms. Peterson that "Portrait of Panic" should be confined to the pages of the *Emily*. The lesbian lifestyle is a legitimate one that must be brought out of the closet, out of gay ghettos, where it may be seen and acknowledged by all. The same should go for male homosexuality. The *Martlet*'s efforts in opening the closet doors on an almost weekly basis deserve applause, and the gay/lesbian issue of Feb. 16 deserves loud cheers!!!

As stated in the *Martlet* editorial of Feb. 16, one in ten of us are homosexual. So why shouldn't one in ten references to sexuality in the media, in textbooks, in music, in film, in stories, in cartoons, etc., etc., be about homosexuality?

Margaret Pringle

Peikoff answers all

Editors:

Six million Jews and hundreds of thousands of others were slaughtered in Nazi Germany. The cruelty and inhumanity of this event is so shocking that it seems inexplicable. Many thinkers have tried to understand what occurred, but most have, in the final analysis, given up hope of a true explanation. "Man is an irrational beast," they claim, and there is nothing more to be said.

Dr. Leonard Peikoff, Ayn Rand's philosophical heir, has a different answer. The mass genocide of Nazi Germany, he argues, has a consistent and understandable cause. That cause is philosophy. The German schools and universities had, for many, many years been totally infused with the anti-reason, anti-egoism, pro-statism philosophies of Plato, Hegel and Kant. Dr. Peikoff will be discussing his fascinating and challenging views, on video, in greater length Friday, March 3, 7 p.m., Clearihue A207. If you are interested in these and other new and exciting ideas, please attend. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Sincerely,
Monique van Hoek

Why use natural gas

Editors:

Recent headlines tell us that 75% of southern Vancouver Island homes are likely to be converted to natural gas heat. How dangerous and how unnecessary in a province with so much hydro power.

The dangers to which I refer are not merely the possibility of explosions, which are a bad enough danger especially since we already have enough stored flammable gasses in tanks to firestorm most of Victoria. The dangers are much greater.

Burning more natural gas will contribute to the problem of acid rain, which may actually help end other problems in our provice, like the question of which trees to cut down. The acid rain might just help destroy them. We soon may not need controls on pollutants entering our lakes, as the acid rain will help sterilize them, or at least turn them into dirty algae ponds.

The increased burning of natural gas will also contribute to the planetary greenhouse effect. That could mean extreme rises in food cost as drought and unpredictable weather affects our farmland. Millions of extra dollars will need to be spent on snow removal in areas which now receive little or no snow. Our waterfront properties could all be underwater or at least damaged severely by storms. Canada may be inundated by tens of millions of refugees from areas of the third world flooded by a rising ocean. There are also many other possible detrimental effects of the greenhouse effect, far too many to list here.

B.C. of course isn't the only user of fossil fuels in the world. However, we have a choice to lead the world in reducing our use of fossil fuels, or contributing to possible world-wide devastation.

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Here boy!

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More on the Panic thing

Editors:

After reading the Letters page of the *Martlet* last week (Feb. 6), I decided that I had seen enough letters addressed to this Portrait of Panic controversy. However, after reading the comics page of that week, I found that I had to say something or burst open from the internal pressure.

The comics page that I referred to had nothing but jokes dealing with homosexuality and homophobia. Naturally "Portrait of Panic" had its own space as well. I thought that several of the comics were funny, and none were truly annoying, until I got to the "Portrait" panels. Three of the six expressed anger, one was just confusing, and the last two were just simply unamusing.

The panel which showed the young lady talking to the Christian seemed to illustrate what I mean. The Christian lady asked politely to talk with the young lady, presumably about religion, then the young woman says, "Thanks, but I gotta go meet my girlfriend," after which we see the Christian lady's thoughts, "Girlfriend . . . AGH! Queer! . . . AGH! tool of Satan!"

This would be a *ridiculously* homophobic and a completely unreasonable conclusion for someone to think. My mother uses the word "girlfriend" to refer to her female friends.

It seems to me that the person who writes "Portrait" believes that the whole world revolves around homophobia. I am not an expert in psychology, but if the author truly sees the world in this way then she should seek professional aid, because you seem to be somewhat paranoid and possibly schizophrenic. However, I am not an expert.

Just one concerned fellow
in an ambivalent world,
Bob Heggie

Sexuality and the state

Editors:

The *Campus Capitalist* has been falsely associated with the homophobic right. As Mike Gower made clear in his *Martlet* article on the *Campus Capitalist*, we want the state out of the bedrooms *and* the boardrooms of the nation.

Traditionally those regarded as sexually 'deviant' have been subject to fines, imprisonment and even death by state decree. The rationalization of such immoral laws has been the appeal to the 'common good' or 'society'.

We at the *Capitalist* reject such appeals and uphold an individualist conception of rights. Unlike many at the *Martlet*, however, we uphold such rights consistently. We believe that if it is immoral and wrong for the state to regulate someone's sexual practices, it is also immoral and wrong for the state to regulate one's business practices. If one admits that certain infringements of individual rights are justified, then inevitably further infringements will follow. As Ayn Rand showed in her magnificent novel *Atlas Shrugged*, man is a creature of mind and body — one cannot separate him into two halves, one to be regulated and ruled and the other to be free.

Sincerely,
Alex Tabarrok

Low-impact travelling

Editors:

Look out, world! Here comes the student traveller! A ticket from Travel Cuts, and headed for fun in the sun! High on opium in the hills of Thailand, bikini'd on the Islamic beaches of Morocco, drinking Coca-Cola in the Himalayas! In Europe or Australia, travellers are limited in the damage they can do. They are relatively poor, and customs are congruent.

But now that third-world countries are becoming fashionable travel destinations, they should be aware that their wealth and bizarre customs can seriously affect cultural climates where they congregate.

Third-world countries are increasingly being touted as cheap holidays in the sun. Enjoy yourself — but remember that the ordinary people of the country you are visiting are poor and suffering under a regime that is likely somewhat less than democratic. And all the money from package deals goes right to the hands of the rich 5 percent that own 95 percent.

The advice to backpackers used to be "get off the beaten path", but perhaps it's better for most to stay on the "gringo trail". It is hoped that travellers off the beaten path will think of themselves as ambassadors or emissaries, and behave accordingly. Think low-impact travelling. The old adage is more true than ever — "When in Rome . . . do as the Romans."

Robert Hamersley

Hiring quota points racist

Editors:

Disregarding the highly unprofessional practice of allowing letter writers to do so anonymously, I must object strongly to the inherently racist and assinine attack on minority faculty members ("Let the Majority Teach", Feb. 16).

To begin with, the baby-sitting function of primary and secondary educators should not be a consideration with university professionals. A professor's primary responsibility is to research, and to that end faculty should be hired on the basis of their research credentials. Making "instructional competence" (a phrase that sounds akin to "flexible freeze") the primary qualification for hiring would compromise the *academic* credibility of this or any university.

Secondly, it's high time that Americans (I include the letter writer and others like him/her in this group) realized that the focus of the English language, while centred in America for the past several decades, is continually evolving and becoming more globally diverse. The anonymous letter writer should read the companion volume to the PBS series *The History of English* for exposition of this point.

Finally, the points raised in the letter about "minority quotas" on hiring, or the inability of some professors to pass English 099, should not be legitimized by way of rebuttal; they should simply be denounced for what they are: malicious and racist.

Views such as these belong in the *Dalhousie Review*.

Sincerely
J.M. Justin Longo

Lose the editors!

Editors:

— Oct. 20th, 1988; *Martlet* editors print why they boycott pro-life advertising; claim practice of using fetal photography in ads "is sensationalistic and disgusting", calling them "shock tactics"; says Canadian law recognizes no fetal rights.

— Feb. 27th, 1989; pro-choice prosecution lawyer J. Arvay says "the fetus is no more a person than a seal pup, a tree or a timberwolf" (*Times-Colonist*, March 2). In Canadian law on abortion (or lack thereof) this is assumed.

—March 2, 1989; *Martlet* editors publish animal rights feature decrying animal experimentation for developing consumer goods. Included two photos; 1) A woman applying lipstick; 2) A small, dead monkey half decomposed by some toxic chemical.

The photos mentioned above are a shock tactic (journalists/advertisers use it a lot), as is some of the text, and is "sensationalistic and disgusting". Yet many pro-life ads use an award winning photo, not disgusting at all, to say the fetus is a person.

The constitution doesn't recognize animals or the preborn human as an "everyone" so they have no right to life, liberty or security of person. Thus, right or wrong, chemical companies can perform animal experimentation which, says the law and the constitution, is not "a crime of the first magnitude" as the ad claims.

Legal abortion methods and abortion chemicals (abortifacients) have been researched through animal experimentation by various companies; e.g. RU 486 causes premature birth (prostaglandin).

"Macaque monkeys have been used for experimentation pertinent to the progesterone antagonist RU 486 (controversial abortifacient newly developed in France), including tests of an intravaginal tampon device for RU 486 . . . The side effects include intrauterine pain, fatigue, nausea, vomiting and heavy bleeding." (refs. available).

One wonders how many pregnant and preborn animals the world over have suffered and died for abortion's sake.

It would be ironic if it took the death and suffering of non-person animals to stop the death and suffering of non-person humans, wouldn't it?

I think the greatest and most important change needed in the *Martlet* it not in its policy but in its editors.

Yours,
Barry Taylor

Editors' Note: Decisions on which articles should run in the paper are carried out largely by the sub-editors or co-editors responsible. The Martlet *currently has no boycott policy concerning products tested on animals.*

Lesbianism revealed

Editors:

After reading the February 16 issue of the *Martlet*, I have formed a few opinions and conclusions about lesbianism. I believe that it is a truly wonderful thing to love the person you are with, and be loved by them,

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regardless of sex. If this happens to be a person of the same sex, I wish you well, and respect your choice. I'm all for this.

But after reading a few of the articles, I've identified two distinct reasons why women become lesbians.

Firstly, some women truly love members of the same sex. Not only are these women being honest with themselves, but they are also being honest with their lovers as well. They deserve respect, and they have mine.

The second reason being that other women hate men. Few lesbians admit that this is their reason. However, after reading an article by Loren L. Griffyn, who describes men as "those superficial, sickeningly macho males", and Alisa Gordaneer, who portrays men as Polo-drenched, inarticulate, apelike, sex fiends incapable of detecting even the most obvious insinuations in any typical conversation . . .

If you sleep with someone, do it because you love to be with them, not because you hate to be with someone else.

J. Pozin

Airwaves not for offensive 'jokes'

Editors:

Re: Terry Neilson's letter of March 2.

Mr. Neilson and his partner were taken off the air because they aired a very irresponsible show which included excessive swearing and offensive jokes and comments. In response to several complaints from listeners and CFUV volunteers, they were asked by the CFUV Programming Committee, in no uncertain terms, to clean up their act.

In response, they went completely off the deep end. By giving absolutely no indication that they could be counted on to provide reasonable and responsible programming they continued in an offensive manner and saw fit to launch into an attack on the Committee.

The problem lies not in hurt feelings among the Committee but in using the public airwaves for personal attacks on individuals or groups. It's one thing to make legitimate comments about public individuals and issues, but I don't think CFUV was granted a broadcast license so that DJs could slag off people they don't like.

As for his offensive jokes, Mr. Neilson expressed to us that in his opinion, he could say anything he wants, regardless of how offensive it is, because he is just joking. Well, I guess that means we can all go around telling all the sexist, racist, and homophobic jokes we want because, hey, it's just in fun. I don't buy that, and nor should anyone.

CFUV's policy towards the use of profanities and obscene language while on-air is clear. The use of profanities while talking on the air has always been strictly forbidden at all times of the day. This is not simply internal policy but the law (Broadcast Act of Canada). The only exception to this has been in the presentation of song titles which include profanities. Generally, artistic programming is exempt from censorship; therefore songs, radio plays, comedy skits, etc. containing profanities can be aired. Again, special attention should not be drawn to those profanities. These policies are available to all DJs and hosts. Mr. Neilson was, by his own admission, aware of these policies.

As for the Programming Committee being a "long standing and stagnant clique," Mr. Neilson shows he is ignorant of the facts. Most of the people currently on the Committee have been part of this group for six months or less and many have been involved with CFUV for less than a year. This group of eleven volunteers represents a diversity of backgrounds, viewpoints and experiences.

When it wasn't being offensive or drowning in profanities Mr. Neilson's show was genuinely funny. It is unfortunate that he couldn't have exercised some restraint.

Yours truly,
Magnus Thyvold,
Program Director, CFUV

P.S. Mr. Neilson can compare himself to David Letterman all he wants, but I've watched Dave Letterman for years, and Mr. Neilson, you are no Dave Letterman.

Clothes off your back

Editors:

The 2nd annual UVic Circle K Clothes Drive for the Capital Regional Mental Health Association (CRMHA) has already started. Our clothes drive began on March 6th and will continue until March 16.

The time is now to clean out your closets to donate to this worthwhile cause. The recipients of this clothes drive are people who can't afford to buy articles of clothing, even through other charity organizations.

The CRMHA operates several drop-in centres for its patients. One of these centres is the Laurel House on Elford Street. The Laurel House maintains a clothes bank for its patients and they are allowed to take the articles of clothing that they need.

For more information regarding the clothes drive, CRMHA or the UVic Circle K Club, come to the information table in the SUB on Friday, March 10.

Wayne G. Gray

Concern for life

Editors:

We, the undersigned, are some members of the newly formed UVic Concern for Life Club. It is within our club constitution to advocate on campus the sanctity of human life as existing from conception until death and to legally oppose ideas/practices which indicate that the absolute value of human life and personhood is being undermined. Thus, we are specifically concerned about the issue of abortion.

We believe that the fetus is a person in the fullest sense of the word. It seems to us that when one realizes that the preborn is a person then one will see the wrongfulness of abortion. The issue, we believe, is not a woman's rights issue at all as defined by the pro-choice activist but is rather a human rights issue where the preborn human is included in the debate. Thus anyone, religious or secular, feminist or not, can be (and are) opposed to abortion.

Fetal personhood is one fact we seek to educate students about. The crisis pregnancy is another.

We have begun efforts to erect a peer counselling training program to run during the summer. We need 10 young University women who'll volunteer to train this summer (30 hrs total) for peer counselling in crisis pregnancies to counsel, if need be, for the 89/90 season. We shall also seek to research institutions offering counselling and other services such as adoption, birth control, and other related centres. This will include info about where a young woman in a crisis pregnancy can go for monetary, medical, emotional and spiritual help. We hope to make such confidential help available so that a woman will know that although hers is unique, no such situation is hopeless: there are alternatives to abortion.

We will try to hold meetings each Monday in March. Everyone is invited and all who support this cause are invited to join the Club.

Yours,
R. Leffelaar, J. Kwantes
B. Erickson, T. Williams
L. Jenish, S. Boonstra

Homosexuality is bullshit

Editors:

Not only was your February 16 issue of the *Martlet* uncalled for, it was also repugnant and distasteful. How can you call yourselves a student newspaper when you only represent a small clique?

I am proud to say that I am a heterosexual and that it is the only sexual orientation to be proud of. "Homophobia" is a term created by homosexuals to ease their consciences. "Homophobia" is a nonexistent state of mind. The use of such terminology is offensive to heterosexuals, who are, I might add, extremely secure about their sexuality. I do not believe that homosexuality is normal, and I don't want to read about it in a student paper.

Come on — wake up and smell the coffee. Get in touch with reality, and let's not have any more bullshit. Devoting an entire issue to a cause that is offensive to many (if not most) students is not justified. Get down off your high horses and find out what normal, everyday students are like.

Shawn Boonstra
One Hell of a pissed off student

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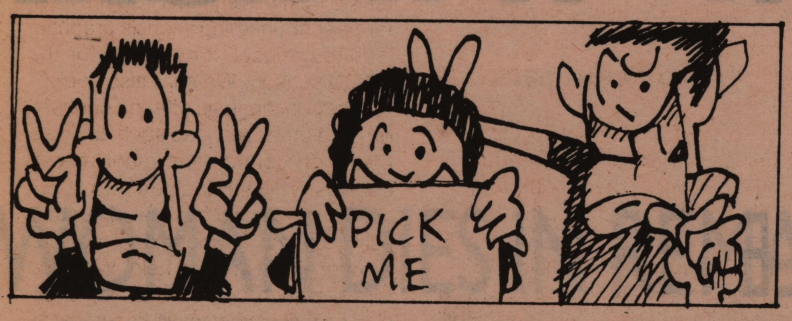
Evenings hours will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. on the days of March 13 to March 17.

Upon signing a statement confirming that all voting and membership rights in V.I. PIRG are reliquished, the student will receive a refund cheque in an amount equal to 11.628% of their student activity fee.

For full-time students the refund will be $2.50. This is the portion of the student activity fee that would otherwise help fund student research in the public interest.

This refund procedure is held every semester as a means of ensuring accountability of V.I. PIRG to the students of the University of Victoria.

Who will head the S.S.?



by Tim Lowan

The office of President of the Board of Directors is one which carries a fair amount of power. The president performs duties assigned by the Board, prepares policy, acts as spokesperson for the Board, and provides the major link between the UVic Students' Society (formerly the AMS) and the Canadian Federation of Students, the administration, and the government.

In addition, the president has much influential power with the Board. A bad president can easily interfere with or halt the work of the Board if s/he wishes. At the same time, good presidents are able to give motivation and focus to the student government, while not overwhelming it with their personal desires.

Obviously, it is important to elect a president who will work well with the rest of the Board, who will provide inspiration and who will represent the needs of the students at large. These, then, are the three candidates for the position of President.

Gord Lewis

What are your goals?

- Hopes to "gauge student responsiveness to facilitation of change in the Students Society, the administration, and the community".
- Hopes to utilize these forces to rally community support and effect certain changes.

What is your experience?

- Poet and philosopher, open minded and outspoken.
- Extensive work in religious youth organizations and with street kids.
- Member of Sociology Course Union last year.

What would your relationship with the board be?

- Wishes to be neither a Yes-man nor a Tyrant with the rest of the Board of Directors.

What is the main responsibility of the president?

- Communication facilitator between the various interest groups.

What are problems in the UVSS now?

- Feels BOD should not go to the community with their complaints. Believes "powerful people see us as leeches.

What stance would you take and how would you deal with the government?

- Find out what student needs are, then use students as a lobby group.

Lise-Lotte Loomer

Goals:

- Work for accessible, quality education funding by lobbying the administration and government — eg. Lobby Day (March 22).
- Lobby for UVic Daycare funds.
- Promote safety on campus — esp. better lighting at night.
- Obtain Government matched grants to pay for SUB expansion.
- Implement Health and Dental care plans.
- Expand recycling program (presently at capacity).
- Increase student representation on administration committees.

Experience:

- 2 years as AMS Director and VP Services.
- Delegate to CFS General Meetings.
- 3rd year Child and Youth Care (has given strong communication abilities).
- Approachable, works hard for the BOD ("ask anyone"), able to take initiative, has a positive attitude.

Relationship to the BOD:

- The President should be a facilitator for BOD decisions but also the chief initiator and motivator.

Responsibilities as President:

- Spokesperson for the BOD and the students.
- Have to communicate with both the BOD and the government.
- Have to make sure students are aware of important facts.

Problems with the UVSS, Now:

Prefers to look at both good and bad sides, but

- UVSS does not have high enough profile on campus (services are not known).
- Not enough meeting space (for clubs, etc.) or room in cafeteria.
- "Need to provide people with more opportunities to get involved."

Relationship with Government:

- As members of CFS, we need to get our money's worth, get students on their committees, and use it as a lobbying body for our needs.
- We need regular press releases and contact with Stan Hagen.
- We need to make sure we have input in bureaucratic decisions which affect us.

Sean Murray

Goals:

- Wishes to begin work on his own SUB expansion program, rather than the proposed one.
- Feels tuition and funding relief can be attained if student groups abandon their "hostile attitudes toward the government."
- Wishes to "Unify the University" — to get students to work together and help each other.
- Wants student money to stay — "I'm not going to contribute to Third World causes when we have problems here."
- Wants a Multi-disciplinary degree established.

Experience:

- Military leadership training (left because these practices not implemented).
- Feels wide variety of courses and universities gives him broad perspective.
- Worked with his mother (president of Concordia Univ. Grad Students Society).
- Feels his good contacts in government and elsewhere would aid the BOD.

Relationship with BOD:

- "Depends on background of the people on the Board . . . but most of their attitudes seem compatible with mine."
- Giving authority and support, emphasizing teamwork.
- Director, not participator, in money issues.
- Wishes to set an "ethic" of no badmouthing, either in the BOD or of the Government.

Responsibility as President:

- Selling the University to the public and the government — "basically a big PR man."

Problems with UVSS, Now:

- Lost focus on their role.
- Hasn't encouraged student creativity.
- Have not been looking at both sides of the coin.

Relationship to Government:

- Knows "influential people" and "can get personal interviews with either Stan Hagen or Mr. Vanderzalm."
- Would use personal approach to contact government.

Elections for president and other Board positions take place next Monday and Tuesday. □

O'Connor leaves PIRG

by Ian Gallacher

Josephine Paine-O'Connor has resigned as Research Director at V.I. PIRG after "four wonderful years".

Paine-O'Connor taught philosophy and women's studies prior to her involvement, gaining invaluable technical and political experience which she could then apply to her position at Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group.

"I think that the academics and interest in political change, the recognition that so many things which bear on our lives are created and can be changed, came together at PIRG very nicely," she said.

Paine-O'Connor was committed to using her knowledge to improve society.

"A university is richer where you have interdisciplinary potential. PIRG is not extra to your education, it is part of it," she said.

Paine-O'Connor wants to see a change in the public perception of students. "Students are not overgrown children/wild emotional radicals, they are adults. Nothing miraculous happens at graduation, it's happening now."

"Concerned students come from different disciplines, and bring those different perspectives to bear on each research project," she said.

She said PIRG provides "continuity of research . . . a living archive of people and know-how that can be accessed throughout the year."

"My own experience with PIRG is everybody's experience of PIRG. You do things, and get an enormous sense of confidence/experience from doing them."

In 1984 - 85, PIRG gathered data on sexual harrassment, which helped set up the current grievance procedures at UVic.

PIRG's study of birth parents and adoption in 1985 led to the initiation of the province's adoption registry.

Last year PIRG was involved with the Street Kids Project and a survey concerning the Cadillac-Fairview proposal for the new Eaton's Centre.

This year, the recycling program "has brought together all segments of the UVic community," said Paine-O'Connor, adding it promises to continue smoothly.

PIRG has also contributed to the UVic campus through its collective work on the library survey, the financial aid improvements, and the bicycle safety programme.

Paine-O'Connor and chair of PIRG's board, Karen McDoole, both stressed PIRG's benefits to the community and the individual — the individual who chooses to take the time to get involved with their community, who recognizes that PIRG can be an integral part of their whole education.

"Josephine had a lot of contacts from other jobs and from her participation with other groups, which lent well to PIRG research efforts. That's what we're really going to miss," said McDoole.

She said Paine-O'Connor was good at guiding PIRG's research and keeping people motivated.

McDoole said, "We'd all agree that one of the most valuable things PIRG volunteers receive is the opportunity to do things they haven't done before."

Things like being on hiring committees, being community organizers, being asked to be involved with community organizations, giving public speeches and presentations.

Josephine Paine-O'Connor left her position on February 24 and flew to London, England last week.

In London she hopes to continue making contributions to society while branching out in new directions.

Josephine's talents, and her contributions, will be missed on the UVic campus. □

Fish food alternative

by Craig Burnett

The slippery algae covering rocks in local streams could become a low-cost natural food for the aquaculture industry, suggests UVic biologist Dr. Alan Austin and grad students Chris Ridley-Thomas and Patrick Lucey.

Artificial streams have been set up in Austin's lab to test the idea.

"We can alter various factors in streams that affect the quality and quantity of the Biofilm, after which we harvest it . . ."

Experiments have also shown that Biofilm can reduce pollutants in an aquatic system, Ridley-Thomas says.

"If there is excess fertilizer in the water from a farm upstream, the algae can utilize it to grow."

Heavy metals washed into streams from mining are also absorbed by Biofilm, says Ridley-Thomas.

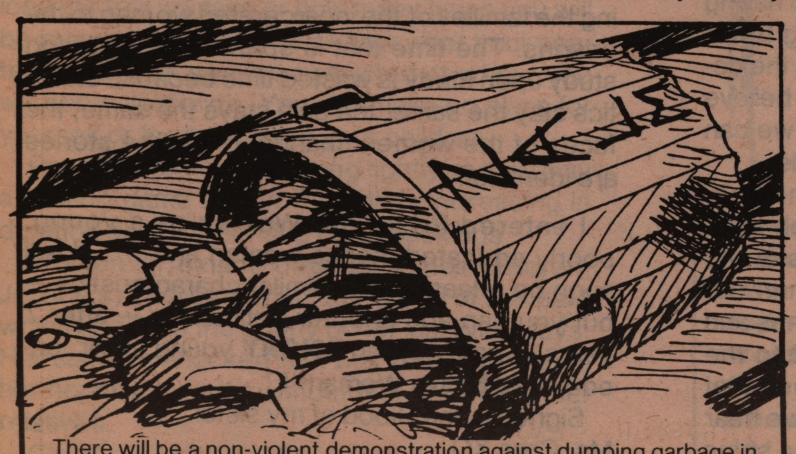
Although the unfriendly substances are removed from the water by the Biofilm and then eaten by the fish, Ridley-Thomas says the metals pass through the fish undigested.

Biofilm is harvested by stopping the flow of the artificial streams and removing the green growth from the rocks with paint scrapers. The method to be used on natural streams and the ecological problems that may result are unknown.

Ridley-Thomas says aquaculture can be ecologically sound if controlled. He added that the use of Biofilm will "minimize ecological harm to aquatic systems," by using nature as a partner.

Biofilm provides a food closer to the natural diet of the salmon, producing a higher quality fish. It is also an alternative to "the massive stupidity of stripping the herring stocks of the north Pacific," says Ridley-Thomas. Fish-farm salmon are presently being fed processed herring pellets.

When asked about the possibility of marketing the results, Ridley-Thomas said, "We are not interested in the commercial aspect." □



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WOMEN IN CAN

UNEQUAL FOOTING FOR NATIVE PEOPLE

by Fran Sugar

Native people lead the KKKountry in statistical categories such as unemployment, alchoholism, early death rates from infant mortality, violence and criminally-related activities. According to a recent study by Trent University of the Dangerous Offenders Act (Bills C-67 and C-68), native people in the Criminal Justice System are more likely to be gated under this Bill, and therefore are deemed the most dangerous and most violent offenders in Canada.

Native women face double, triple and quadruple standards when entering the prison system. Number 1: we are women; Number 2: we are native; Number 3: we are poor; Number 4: we do not usually possess the education necessarily equivalent to the status quo.

Profile:

Ms. Cree is eighteen years old, a single parent with two children. She lives in the city of - - - where the offence took place. She was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 4 years. Her parents are deceased. She has two sisters and two brothers. Ms. Cree was a housewife whose sole income was social assistance.

Ms. Cree entered the institution with a Grade 4 level of education. She quit school due to oroblems in her foster home. Ms. Cree has not been involved in an education upgrading program. She has been offered a job cleaning yet has refused this placement because she feels the school supervisor does not treat her or other native students properly. As a result she will not work anywhere in the institution.

Ms. Cree was first arrested at age 16 for uttering and forging documents. She was put on one year's probation which she completed successfully. The subject displays no responsibility for her criminal involvement. The subject clearly has a drug and alcohol problem. Her institutional participation is limited to Native Sisterhood.

The writer strongly suggest that Ms. Cree remain a maximum security inmate. The writer is not in support of community release at this time. Day Parole is denied. Full Parole is denied. Escorted temporary absence denied for one year. Ms. Cree was involved with a would-be serious incident with a number of her friends on May 1, 19 - - when security staff were proceeding to dispel an incident in another part of the building. As a result of Ms. Cree not being able to remain charge free for any length of time, her cavalier attitude, her activites and friendships with many known drug dealers in the institution, it is the writer's opinion that Ms. Cree meets no. 2 and no. 3 criteria under Bills C-67 and 68.

Ms. Cree is a danger to society, to herself and the staff members of the instituiton. Ms. Cree's sentence expires January, 199-. Next Case Management Review scheduled December, 198-.

This is a fictional profile, but it closely resembles the perceived reality on the part of the bureacracy which assess the Native Woman as she enters prison. Those who assess us come from an opposite life-experience. The average case management person is caucasian, married, has 1 - 2 children, a university degree, is from an upper-middle-class background with no comparable experiences to a Native woman.

Obviously there are going to be some very profound difficulties that the Native woman will have in making adjustments within the institution in serving out her sentence. Almost every Sister I have talked to has told me they were raised in foster homes, sent to juvenile detention centers, were victims of sexual abuse, were victims of rape. And finally entering prison for women, we have also become victims of bureacracy because we do not have the right colour of skin, the right kind of education, the right kind of social skills and the right kind of principles to get out of here.

Most often criminal defence lawyers in conjunction with crown prosecutors and judges agree that a guilty plea with a lengthy sentence will correct past lifestyles, our way of thinking, and make us into law-abiding "cityzens". It is an absurd joke to think that the criminal Just-Us System with its residential care, treatment, programming, counselling and mental health programs are specifically designed programs to meet the needs of Native women when we have never had an equal footing in the case management strategic planning sessions that take place. The bureacracy and paper pushing outweigh the importance of listening to what the Native woman says she needs.

Usually the woman in the cage is too busy surviving the new rules, new regulations of daily life in La-la land to even consider what the future holds after she is finished her sentence.

When we come to prison, we need to adjust to greater and greater violence in our lives. We adjust to increasingly deadly conditions, and come to accept them as "natural". We adjust to having freedoms stolen away from us, to having fewer and fewer choices, less and less voice in the decisions that affect our lives. We come to believe that making $4.20 a day and the things we can buy with it are the most important life goals.

We have adjusted to deafening silence because it is now mandatory to wear headphones. We have adjusted to the deafening noises and screams coming from segregation when our Sister has just been stripped of her clothes and maced in the face. We have adjusted to the deadening entertainment of bingo games that give out prized bags of Taco chips and we hear glees of happiness at this score because some pathetiic individual hasn't tasted Taco chips since 1979. We have adjusted to dreaming of our futures.

We have adjusted to the lack of conversation because some days there is absolutely nothing of significance or meaning to a few cheap words. We have adjusted to dreaming of our futures. We have adjusted to divorcing ourselves from relationships with our husbands. We keep adapting to new and ever more dangerous conditons and ideas in the name of survival.

We forget how life once was, how blue the sky is, how good food tasted. We forget because the changes are gradual and unannounced. No one can forewarn us of what lies ahead. If we could imagine ourselves taking pleasure in a slave job like cleaning floors over and over again, day after day, year after year, and see ourselves as fanatical psychos when our freshly waxed floor gets a scratch on it and ruins our entire day, we would recoil with horror and shame because our minds and values become as twisted and irrational as the ones that impose these conditions upon our lives.

We become so numb from the incredible b/sh we are exposed to: trying to see a case management officer to get a call to our children is a major, major event. It is no wonder that so many of us cut our throats, lacerate our bodies, hang ourselves. It is no wonder that we need to identify our pain onto our physial bodies because our whole lives have been filled with incredible pain and traumatizing experiences — psychic pain, physical pain, spiritual pain.

When you ask a Native Woman why she was placed in a foster home she'll likely tell you it was because Childrens' "Aid" arrested her because her parents didn't send her to school regularly. When you ask a Native woman where she was sexually abused, she'll likely respond it took place in the foster homes. When you ask a Native woman why she finally killed somebody she'll tell you she was a battered wife and she lost control of her senses when she was taking another beating. She didn't mean to kill her husband, her lover, her friend, she was just so spun out after each licking she lived through — she just was so spun out.

I am your typical native woman and one who has survived the Criminal Just-us System. When I think about the time in prisons, I often wonder how I maintained my santiy. I never conformed in my heart or in my mind but my body danced. I learned how to cope with lies. I believe justice does not exist for Native people. The battle of will is to see through the wall, to see through the screws and their power plays — their bureaucratic games of power and pleasure.

I learned there is a certain degree of hypocrisy in the groups that represent women in prison. The money and efforts that go into "services" is a mere band-aid effort in conspiracy with the Criminal Just-us System. The money and efforts would be better directed at commuting the families of the incarcerated women to the prisons. The time that is spent on conducting study upon study is wasted time because statistics stay the same, the pain stays the same, the faces of the women change — but the stories are identical.

I entered Prison for Women as a young, poorly educated, native woman and ___. I will soon be released with similar characteristics — but you can add another deficiency — after 7 years — I am now an **ANGRY** young, poor, uneducated Native Woman!!!

Signed in the Blood of my sister,
Ms. Cree XO

Fran Sugar is an inmate in the Prison for Women. □

NADIAN PRISONS

WOMAN DIES IN REMAND CENTRE

by Bonnie Diamond

On September 29, 1988, Joanne Dupuis, aged 38 years, mother of two children aged 15 and 9, died in the Calgary remand centre. She died alone and no one knows why. She is the third person, and second woman, to die at the Calgary centre this year. Joanne killed nobody, she raped nobody, she assaulted nobody. She died alone in a jail where she was being held for suspected fraud.

Joanne shared many characteristics with other women who are in conflict with the law. Her lawyer described her as a woman with no means of support who came to Calgary with her two children to avoid "physical abuse". She was accused of writing bad cheques on several occasions and was awaiting trial when she died.

The Calgary Elizabeth Fry Society pressed for a public inquiry and made a very large public issue of Joanne's death. They knew that conditions for women at the remand centre were totally inadequate and needed to know if those conditions directly contributed to the loss of this young woman.

The Attorney General's Department in Alberta saw no need for a public inquiry until they were legally forced to call for one when the autopsy, including a full toxicological study, proved inconclusive.

A public inquiry will be held but the timing is in the hands of the Alberta government and it has not been established as yet. Unfortunately, Joanne's body has been cremated so there is no possibility of pursuing further medical factors.

Joanne's death is a cruel reminder of the other women who sit in remand centres in communities across Canada. Canadian women, who have not been found guilty of a criminal offence, in a country which claims to operate on the presumption of innocence, are spending days, weeks, even up to a year in jail awaiting trial. They are perhaps the most neglected group in our justice system.

Remand centres across Canada are hopelessly inadequate. The Calgary centre where Joanne died was described as a "hell hole". The area allotted for women is small, crowded, windowless, and without space for exercise.

Inadequate staffing is also a problem. Prisoners at the Calgary centre reported to the Elizabeth Fry Society incidents of banging on cell doors for long periods before guards attend. A sister prisoner said Joanne had been banging on her cell door for 20 minutes the night before she died until a guard finally let her out to use the bathroom.

Women in remand centres are in limbo and suffer great mental stress. These centres are often referred to as holding tanks and with good reason. While in remand your life is completely out of your own control. You do not know how long the trial will take or how many times you will be remanded. You do not know what your sentence will be if you are convicted or where you will serve sentence. You can make no plans for yourself or for the care of your children.

People's nerves are strung tightly as they play a waiting game that in Canada is increasing in duration due to mounting court backlogs.

Women in remand often lose their children. Joanne's children were made wards of the state which added to the agony of her last living days. Her sister is shocked that officials would make her nephews wards without first notifying other relatives.

Clearly, women held in remand are women at risk. This is all of us, for anyone may be accused of a crime. Few die as Joanne did, but many are damaged severely. The Calgary remand centre is dismal but not atypical. Even modern remand centres were built with men in mind and use any available closet space for holding women.

The 19 Canadian communities which have Elizabeth Fry Societies are lucky. At least in these locations a community agency is aware and watching when a woman is incarcerated. In most cases, E. Fry workers or volunteers will visit regularly and do whatever they can do to assist. But there are countless communities in Canada that hold women who are charged and are awaiting trial or sentencing, and no one outside of the system is watching. Even the Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies does not have the resources to monitor where all women are being held in Canada and under what conditions. In light of Joanne's death, this is very frightening.

All incarcerated women need our help, none more than those held in remand centres. Do you know the circumstances under which you would be held in your own community should you be accused of a crime? Where are the women held on remand in your hometown? In memory of Joanne Dupuis and for the safety of all women, we must commit to finding out immediately. If you don't like the answers, feel free to contact the closest Elizabeth Fry Society or the Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies for support and assistance in making changes.

Bonnie Diamond is the Executive Director of the Canadian Elizabeth Fry Society. □

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Canadian Assoc. of Elizabeth Fry

Who really is the "typical" woman convicted of committing a crime in Canada today? Is she the tough, cruel, calculating, morally deficient misfit she has historically been portrayed as?

Or is she more likely to be: young; poor; undereducated; unskilled; Native; addicted to drugs, alcohol, or both; a victim of physical and sexual abuse; emotionally/financially dependent on abuse male partners; charged with property (non-violent) offenses?

If you chose the second description, you're right! Statistics show that the issues for women in conflict with the law are essentially status of women issues. That is to say, many of the reasons women commit crimes, many of the problems they face in pursuit of justice, in prison and upon release from prison are often related to the way women in general are treated in our society.

The Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies (CAEFS) was incorporated in Ottawa in 1978 in order to address the conditions which contribute to women's involvement in crime, as well as to attempt to alleviate the unequal treatment women receive within the justice system.

CAEFS is a federation of Elizabeth Fry Societies — community-based agencies which work with, and on behalf of, women involved with the justice system, in particular women in conflict with the law.

The principles of the Association include a commitment to:

- equalizing rights of every individual;
- encouraging community involvement in all aspects of the criminal justice system;
- ensuring quality programs, services and facilities for women in conflict with the law, based on individual needs;
- encouraging the active participation of volunteers in all aspects of the organization;
- pursuing excellence and efficiency by always seeking to improve standards and programs;
- identifying and addressing the gaps and unmet needs;
- seeking changes through reforms of the law and penal and correctional regulations, practices and conditions.

Currently CAEFS is pressing for the design of an integrated national system of services for women in conflict with the law that will rely less on prison. Today, in Canada, women serving sentences of two or more years are warehoused in the antiquated Prison for Women in Kingston, Ontario. It locks up 130 to 150 women, in a maximum security fortress although these women are in no way dangerous.

Women prisoners, far from their homes, lose all contact with their children, other family and their community support. Repeated government reports have recommended closure of the prison but appropriate alternatives must be created if needs of women are to be met in corrections.

Our national office, with a staff of three, is located in Ottawa. For more information, or if you'd like to help us in our work, write:

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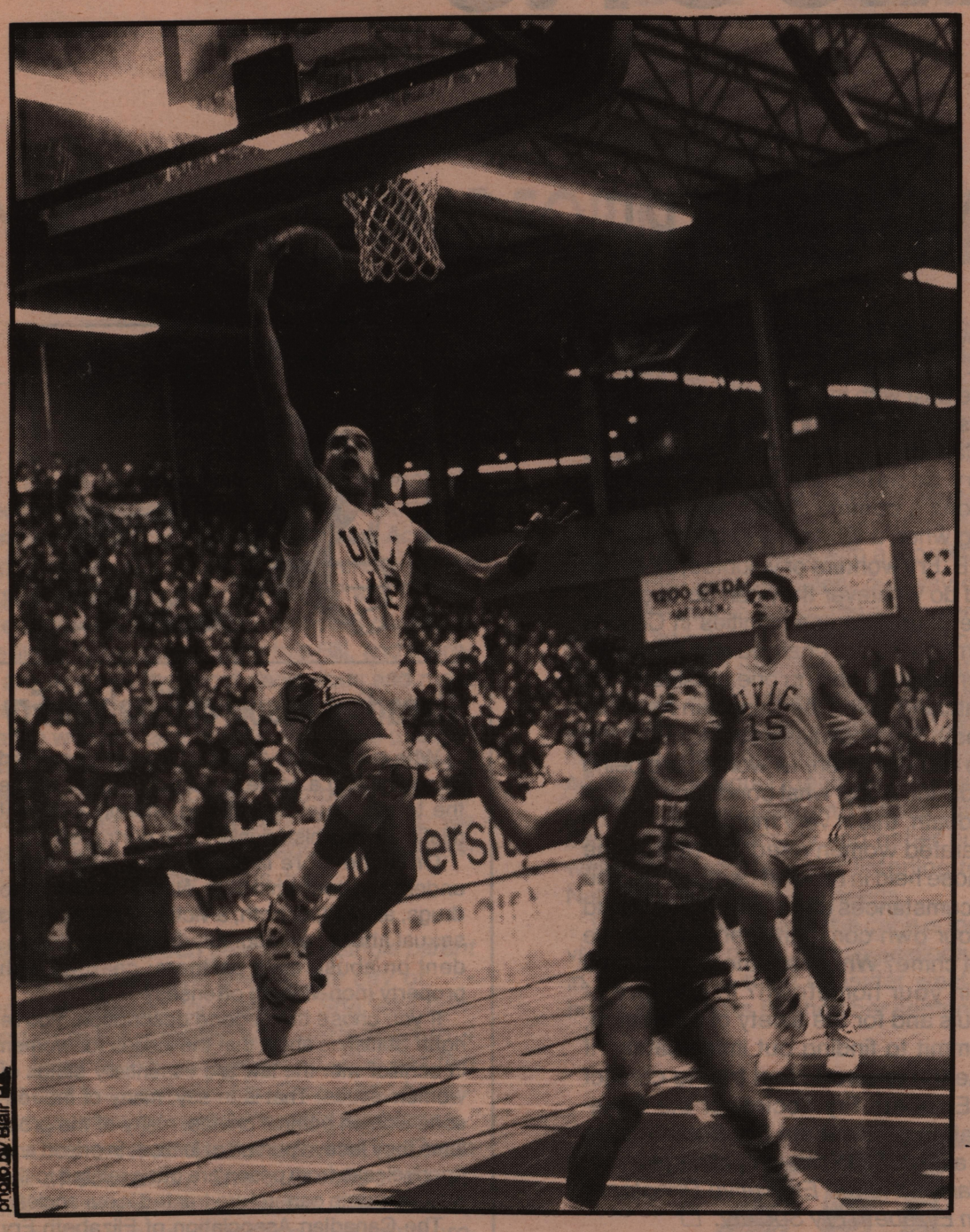
Taking it to the line in basketball playoffs



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The Men's Viking Basketball team captured the Canada West men's championships on Sunday night in a 79 - 60 win over the UBC Thunderbirds. The team now moves on to the semi-final rounds in Halifax.

by Felicia O'Gorman

With backs against the wall and a Western Canadian title on the line, the Basketball Vikings knew that the only sure way to the National Championships was on a win, against UBC rivals, during the third and deciding playoff game Sunday in McKinnon Gym. Though the team had been ranked number one for a good part of the season and were quite certain on getting a wild card berth, if that's what it came down to, they weren't willing to leave their fate in the hands of the CIUA committee who, in a similar situation two years ago, decided against sending the deserving Vikes on a wild card.

Their opponents were hungry. After an amazing come-back victory on Saturday night, which sent the series into the third game, the UBC Thunderbirds had the Vikes rattled, and they knew it. With their tight defense and shooting talent which had impressed the sell-out crowds on the previous two nights, they knew they could steal the title away from the Vikes.

Early into the game it appeared that was exactly what was going to happen as the Birds leapt into the lead, opening it to 12 in just five minutes of play.

UVic kept their composure and, with the help of a change in the defensive line-up from Saturday's game, they began to gain control, holding off the Birds' attack and capitalizing on their own.

By half time the Vikes led by two, and though they continued to build on that lead, the intensity of play from both teams never settled. UVic has a habit of getting ahead and "then resting on their laurels," said coach Ken Shields, "the whole season's been like that." But the Vikes had learned from their previous night's loss, after holding a 19-point lead at the half, that there was absolutely no room to let up against the aggressive Birds.

The defensive change in UVic's lineup worked well as they held their opponents to 22 points in the second half. They claimed the victory and the CWUAA title in a convincing 79 - 60 win, led by Spencer McKay's 27-point performance. "This was the closest we've come to playing like a Viking team of old," said a relaxed Shields during a press conference Monday afternoon. Shields had just received news on the draw for the Nationals that morning and was happy with the outcome.

The team will arrive in Halifax two days prior to their first match against number seven ranked Arcadia, set to go Friday at 5:00 p.m. Victoria time, and are on the opposite side of the draw from the talented Brandon Bobcats team.

"There'll be a large crowd out to watch the Vikings go down against Arcadia, the hometown favourites," said Shields, with haunting memories of last year's semi-finals loss to the same team. But as long as the Vikes concentrate on what they can do rather than what their opponents can do, and sustain that competitive intensity throughout every game, they should push through to the semi-finals and hopefully the finals, which, by most predictions, will be against the Bobcats.

All UVic games will be broadcast live on CFUV 101.9 as well as on TSN, who will pick up the semis and final. The semis are set for 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. on Saturday with the championship game going at 10:00 Sunday morning.

If and when the Vikes are able to capture the Canadian Championship title, they'd be well advised to keep the trophy out of reach of team member Moe Basso, to assure that it reaches UVic's display case in one piece. (In Basso's excitement over their Sunday victory he tripped over and broke the team trophy on his way up to receive his medal.) □

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SPORTS

Winning card for women's B-ball

by Felicia O'Gorman

Cathy Shields, coach of the women's Vikes basketball team, found out Monday afternoon that her team had been chosen to compete at the Canadian Nationals on a wild card berth.

The Vikes have been practicing in preparation for the championships, knowing that the decision wouldn't be made until just prior to their departure date. The tournament, which starts this Thursday in Sudbury, Ontario, will see UVic going up against Laval in their first game.

Shields is very pleased with the resulting draw, commenting that they couldn't have asked for a better situation. They have ended up on the opposite side of both the powerful Calgary Dinos, who have gone unbeaten in league play this season, and the host Laurentian team.

Shields has an inexperienced team as far as National competition goes, with just a few of her players having competed at that level, but the goal she has set for her squad is to get to the final, and she feels confident that they have enough talent and determination to succeed.

Unfortunately UVic's starting centre, Joanne Nutini, will not be joining her teammates on the Sudbury courts. A knee injury which was at first hoped to be cartilage damage, healed by rest and physio, has turned out to be much more serious and possibly a career-ending injury for the talented athlete. □

UVic hosts playoffs

The UVic Women's Volleyball team got themselves into a tough position last weekend after a loss to the Calgary Dinos during Friday night action in Calgary. They had to win Saturday's match if they were to have the home court advantage in the western playoff series.

And win is exactly what they did. In a match that went five straight sets, the Vikes proved they could endure throughout a long, tight match.

Lara Melville of the Vikes team was chosen as the Canada West Athlete of the Week for her fine performance against Calgary.

This weekend the action continues in the McKinnon Gym in a best two out of three series that will decide the CWUAA champ and the western representative for the Canadian Nationals.

The Nationals are set for the 18 - 19 weekend in Saskatoon. □

Bicycle safety campaign

Join the Greater Victoria Bicycle Safety Campaign which gets underway this Sunday in Beacon Hill Park with a Family Bicycle Day. The Beacon Hill festivities include a safety check and maintenance demonstration as well as a training course for children, displays, demonstrations and a marshalled road ride.

The following weekend the UVic cycling club will host the Ides of March Bicycle Stage Race. There will be events on both Saturday and Sunday, March 18 and 19 and will feature some of Canada's top National racers. Further information and map routes will be published in the March 16 issue of the *Martlet*.

MARTLETPLACE

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A AND E ENTERTAINMENT

John Lee Hooker:

Master sings the blues

by Andrew Stonehouse

72-year-old blues innovator John Lee Hooker brought Victoria a powerful taste of his legendary sound, playing to a full house at Harpo's last Tuesday night.

Hooker, one of the originators of the urban blues sound, may be a little old for a full-out show, but his speedy and nimble playing still thrilled the crowd.

Hooker's set included "Boom Boom Boom", "Boogie Chillun", and "One Scotch, One Bourbon, One Beer", originals which were blues standards before Eric Clapton was out of elementary school.

Hooker spent most of the show seated on stage, surrounded by the other players. Occasionally he looked a little out of it, especially when he turned and waved his finger to bring a song to a close. But the band was always fast to comply, and looked like they too were enjoying the evening.

Hooker can still pick out the riffs at lightning speed.

During the last number, he got up and danced around the stage, proving that the old master was still a lot looser than a lot of the mid-20-year-olds in the audience.

His back-up band, the Coast to Coast Blues Band, were a particularly tight and talented group, led by the marvelous Stevie Ray Vaughan-styled guitar of Mike Osbourne, and the wild, amiable stage presence of bassist Jim Brown. Keyboardist Deacon Jones was also a stylistic showman, jumping on the keys like a long-haired Jerry Lee Lewis. Saxophone player Dr. Funkenstein lived up to his name.

The crowd was genuinely moved by the grooving sounds of John Lee Hooker, living legend and true "Godfather of the Blues." □

Folking delightful

Monica Schraefel is one of the newest folk sensations to hit the West Coast music scene.

This Winnipeg native has been playing coffee houses and music fests throughout the prairies for the past five years. She is now finishing her Ph.D in English at UVic.

Monica is a versatile musician, playing a variety of styles. "(I play) whatever feels good at the time . . . I like to take patterns of chords and do unexpected things with them so it ends up sounding like a bunch of different styles when really it's a subtle, yet complex thing," she says.

Her music is described as suddenly satirical and can be interpreted in different ways.

"I guess people think my songs are funny, at least some of them . . . that's what life is all about . . . even in the most tragic circumstances there's something funny.

"Most of my songs are about me being more honest and trying to write about all the stuff that goes on inside, and some of it ends up seeming funny. That's why the music is kind of a nice break from the Ph.D work."

She will be at the Newcombe Theatre Sunday night at 7:30. Tickets are $2 for students and low income, $6 regular. They are available at the SUB general office, and various locations downtown. □

Women's week events

by Jessica Berglund

The Women's Steering Committee is celebrating International Women's Week with entertainment including performers, workshops, and films all though Women's Week, which ends March 12th.

Films at Cinecenta on Monday and Tuesday covered the topics of Alzheimer's Disease, abortion, and poverty. Today three more films will be presented, with free admission between 10:30 and 12:30.

What People are Calling PMS is described by film festival coordinator Sue Cardinell as an "incredible film, made in Vancouver, showing the different ways in which women experience premenstrual syndrome, and how various medical practitioners react to these symptoms."

The other films being shown today are:

Daughter Rite, which explores relationships between mothers and daughters and between sisters, and *Closing the Gap* focuses on the accomplishments and contributions of women athletes to both recreational and competitive sports.

At 12:30 today, also in Cinecenta, Delia Dries of Courtenay will present her one-woman production, *Prairie Winds, Prairie Women* — a play examining the lives of seven different women. Poet Catherine Hunter will read in Cinecenta at 2:30.

On Friday, two films, *Donna* and *Sonia*, will be shown. *Donna* tells of the relationship between politics and women's lives in Italy. *Sonia*, which was also shown on Monday, will be reshown. Cardinell feels this film is important in that it makes people aware of the symptoms of Alzheimer's Disease in others.

Women's Week concludes Sunday, with an 8 p.m. presentation by Victoria's Monica Schraefel, fringe folk singer and songwriter, at the Newcombe Theatre. More information on all Women's Week events can be obtained at the Women's Resource Centre in the SUB, or call 721-8353. □

Truth verses truths

by M.C. Schraefel

Salman Rushdie's *Satanic Verses* is a confrontation between the idea that there is a true text, a pure story and the concept that there never is a real story; only many equally suspect versions of the same tale. In this post-modern conflict, Rushdie probes the realm of what happens when *you* know there is no definite version, *only* satanic verses, but you are expected to create a single tale, a true text, the authentic version.

Based on the knowledge that promoting one version of a story is always false, Rushdie looks at the potential for evil in supressing all other versions of a story. The characters of the novel must confront their involvement in such multiple stories, and ask themselves "What kind of idea am I?"

Rushdie explores these problems through vaguely interconnected narratives.

The central story is of Gibreel, an Indian actor flying to London but who denegrates English Culture, and Salhuddin, another Indian actor who denegrates his own culture and flys into the arms of mother England to become more English than the English. Both characters are transformed in a plane crash as they fall to earth. One becomes an Angel, the other a Satyr.

Gibreel confronts the multiplicity of his own life, facing involuntary dreams in which he is the Archangel Gibreel, for the prophet, Mahound. Mahound forces Gibreel to say things that are not his own. In this way Gibreel is forced to be the source of the one Truth of Mahound's Religion of Submission. When Mahound needs an authority for passing any law he desires, he speakes verses through Gibreel to be inscribed into Law. Gibreel is unaware of what Mahound is doing; he only senses he is being corrupted. Only the prophet's scribe, coincidently named Salman, is suspicious of Mahound's authenticity.

In another series of dreams, Gibreel becomes the involuntary silent source for a fanatic's pilgrimage into the sea. The actor Gibreel, who has always comfortably played the roles of many deities, must cope with the insanity of trying to be one identity, the Angel. Unable to cope, he loses control of his fictions and of his mental health.

Salhuddin, whose ironic success has been his amazing capacity to be a man of a thousand voices as well as a Max Headroom-type character, is transformed into a physically unmistakable non-human. In this satyrish state, he is brutalized by the police in a racist-inclined raid. The official police story states he tripped and fell, knocking himself unconscious. Salhuddin, betrayed into the police's hands by the angelic Gabreel, swears vengence on his nemisis. Rushdie allows a few chapters to become a rewrite of Othello in which Salhuddin-Iago's thousand voices poison his good friend Gibreel's mind against his lover.

Rushdie demonstrates the power of the one story over the multiple, leaving little choice between satanic insanity or evil. Any time one story is purported as authentic truth, it becomes corruptive. Thus, all stories, all official versions that privilege one text over another are deemed Satanic. They can be redeemed, however, from their Satanic intent of corrupting, of power over when they are acknowledged as Satanic, as only one of many versions.

The Satanic Verses is by no means the author of *Midnight's Children*'s best work. Though Rushdie's language is, as always, beautiful — his phrasings alone don't carry off the project successfully. We are asked to wade through half the novel before the threads pull the two characters' lives and their sublives in any coherent fashion. Pleading post modern deferral of revelation is not an excuse to mitigate a frustrating reading experience.

The current controversy surrounding the novel might be a reason to invest in a hard cover version, though *The Satanic Verses* is definitely not a must at $24.95. However, it is well worth the $6 it will probably cost as a paper back. □

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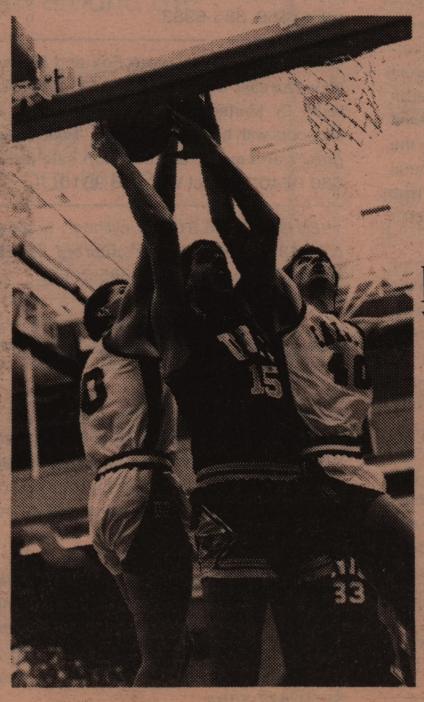

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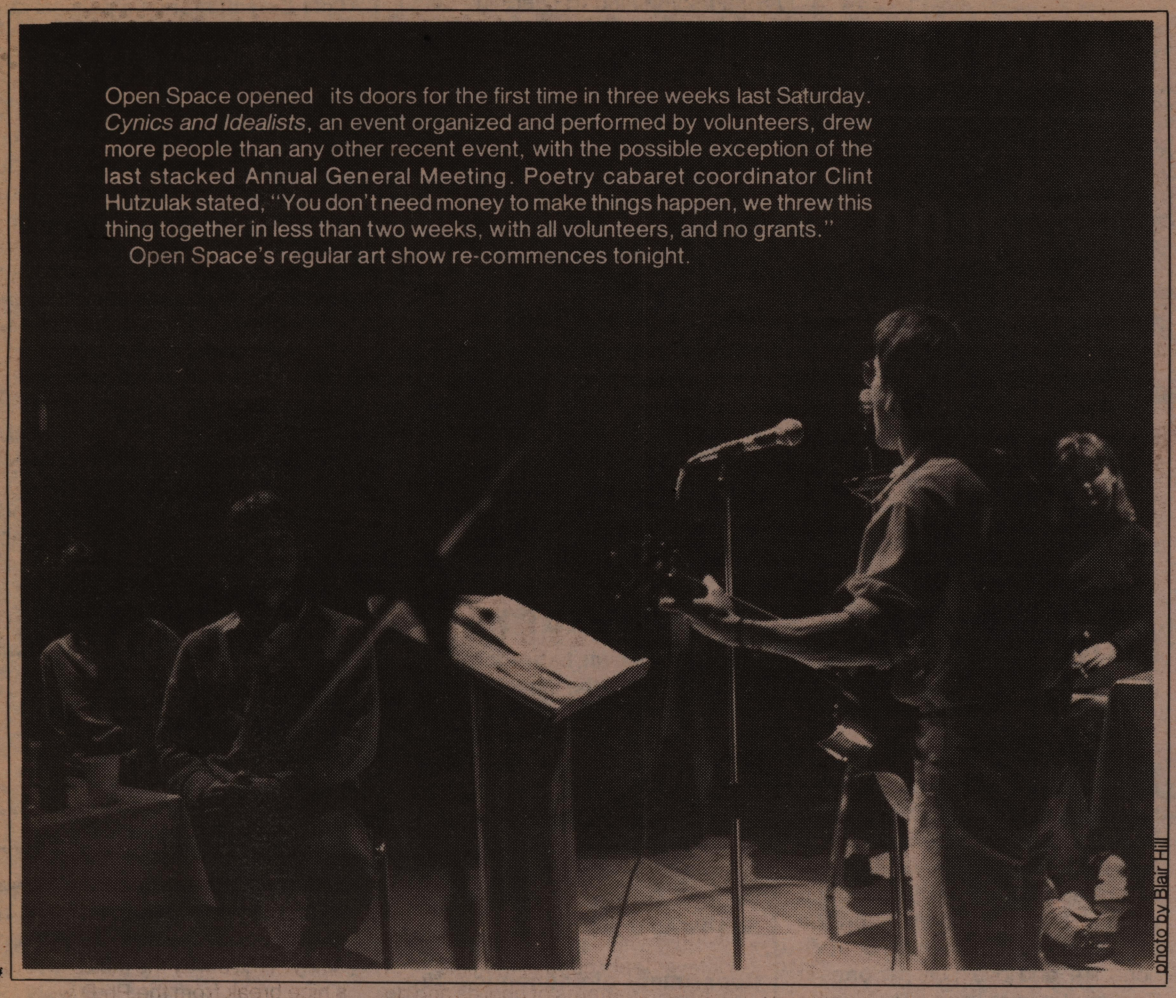

Open Space opened its doors for the first time in three weeks last Saturday. *Cynics and Idealists*, an event organized and performed by volunteers, drew more people than any other recent event, with the possible exception of the last stacked Annual General Meeting. Poetry cabaret coordinator Clint Hutzulak stated, "You don't need money to make things happen, we threw this thing together in less than two weeks, with all volunteers, and no grants."

Open Space's regular art show re-commences tonight.

photo by Blair Hill

James Gordaneer: a biased review

by Alisa Gordaneer

"Do you suppose," wonders one viewer, "that these works are making an oblique statement referring to the artist's previous fascination with tonal brilliance?"

"Well," replies her companion, "the palette does seem more subudued — perhaps in retaliation to the present social situation?

"Undoubtedly. The social implications of **Cornucopia** contrast remarkably with the artist's previous whimsical interpretation of the theme of **Circus**."

"Yes — the development through the purely abstract, into the figurative and possibly beyond, certainly inspires an interpretation that goes deeper than the mere initial glance."

"Of course. The artisit has explored his themes, and followed them through with a colourful bias that defies superficial examination."

"Intellectualizing definitely enhances the deeper subliminal ideas of the **Arcadia** series."

"Naturally. The idyllic quality suggests a trend towards a more spiritual enlightenment of colour, form, texture and tone."

"And the portrayed superlatives enhance not only the regional idyll of the Victoria landscape, but also elevate the characters depicted in the figurative poses to an almost ethereal level."

"The artist's use of brilliant colour in this series emphasizes that same ascension from the mundane everyday to the fabulous realm of the imaginary."

"Yes — an unquestionably cohesive collection. The visual impact is startling. Who **is** the artist, anyway?"

"Some local painter — James Gordaneer."

"That name sounds familiar . . . I wonder wh—"

"Isn't that **your** last name?"

"Well . . . my dad's name **is** 'James' . . ."

"Of course, this presents a problem inherent in your review. The possibility of a bias, perhaps?"

"You're right. They'd better ignore this whole thing. We don't want to be thought of as having any sort of personal influence — We won't be taken seriously!"

"No great danger of that! It's still a good show though — tell them to go and judge for themselves."

"Well, isn't that what art's all about?"

James Gordaneer: Arcadia/Cornucopia continues through March 23 at North Park Gallery, 1619 Store St. (upstairs.) Gallery hours Tuesday through Saturday, 11 to 5. □

More than bananas and war

by Luis Galich

This Saturday, March 11th, an interesting and vibrant evening of latin american music will be presented at the Young building of Camosun College, Lansdowne campus.

Luis Galich left Guatemala because of the political repression there and now makes his home in White Rock. This accomplished musician will perform a repertoire of original songs, drawing on his country's musical treasures. Latin America is a land of great cultural energy, a fact sometimes forgotten in its troubled history.

This concert, which starts at 7:30 promises to be an affirmation of that energy and grace.

Tickets are $5 and $7, available at Carnaby Street, Mezzrows Records, V.I.D.E.A., and the Global Village Store. Sponsored by the Central American Support Committee. □

Actors good sports

by Rob Morrison

The Vancouver Theatre Sports League has become increasingly popular over the past few years. Sold out performances at high ticket prices verify their success. Last Friday, however, students at the University of Victoria could watch their 90 minute show for only two or three dollars.

The four member group performed a variety of short improv skits which depended heavily upon audience participation for ideas. The group kept the crowd laughing from performing opera to acting out Karen's trip to the Grand Canyon. The group was well received by the large audience.

The evening was organized by Patricia Lee and Nicholas Harrison, both staff members of UVic Housing. The show was held in the Commons Block and judging by the success of the group, the theater sports league will more than likely be returning next year.

You don't have to wait another year if you wish to see them, though. They have their own theatre in Vancouver, and if you want to pay the $8 ticket price for fresh and orginal comedy, they are well worth seeing. □

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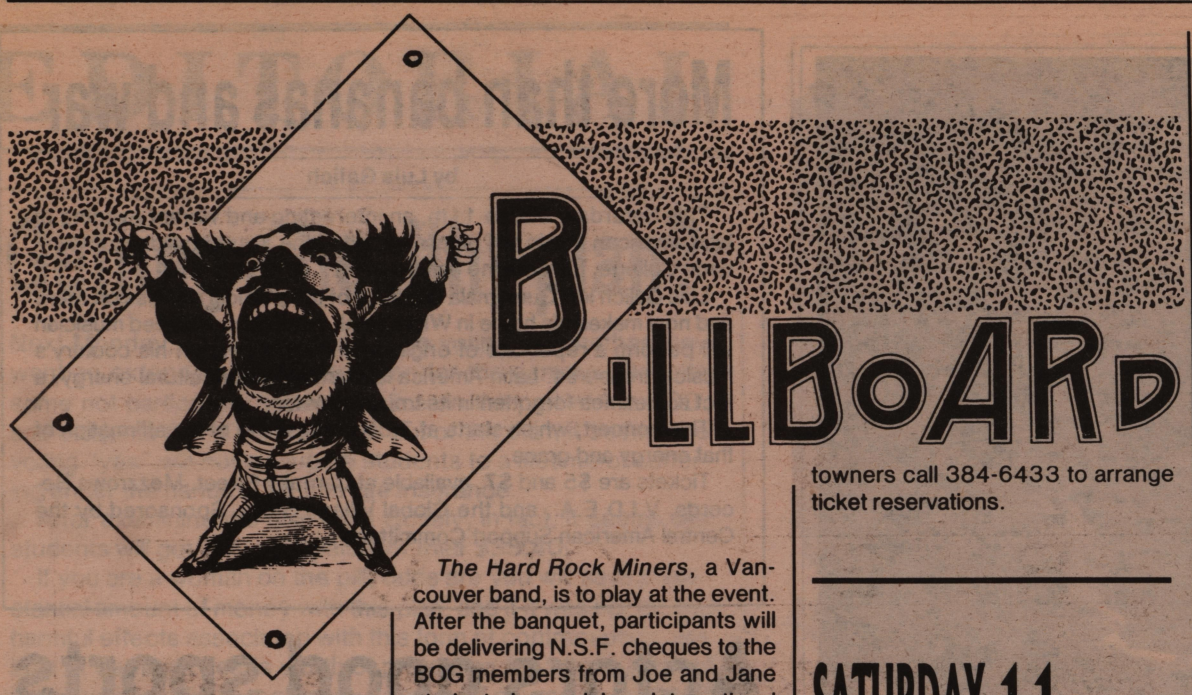

THURSDAY 9

University

Martlet staff meeting at 3:30 in SUB 146. Everyone welcome!

Students from the Dept. of Creative Writing at UVic. Poets, dramatists, and fiction writers will read from their own works. 11:30 a.m., CLE A309. Free admission.

Podium

Dr. Tom Bergerud, from the Department of Biology, will be speaking on "Hypotheses to Explain the Migration of Caribou", 3:00 p.m., CUNN 146.

FRIDAY 10

University

Holly and Oak meets in CLE C116 at 2:30. All welcome.

The Beggar's Banquet is part of the federation campaign and should be occurring all across this great nation of underfunded Universities. The essence of the campaign is to show the Board of Governors and the government where tuition increases will hit us — right in the stomach — as the only flexible line item of a student's budget is food.

The event will revolve around a 'Kraft Dinner Banquet.' Many of you may remember Mila Mulroney's response to a UVic student protesting the only thing she could afford to eat was Kraft Dinner. Mila's reponse was "Really?? My kids love Kraft Dinner . . . I can't get them to eat anything else."

The Hard Rock Miners, a Vancouver band, is to play at the event. After the banquet, participants will be delivering N.S.F. cheques to the BOG members from Joe and Jane student, Joe and Jane International Student, Joe and Jane residence student and Joe and Jane single parent student. So, you're all invited to a free Kraft Dinner spread. If all else fails, it will definitely be a good time. SUB Upper, lunchtime.

The Association of Foreign and Canadian Students invites all students to Asia Night from 6:00 to 10:00 in Room CLE C112. Bring $3 for Chinese food, and prepare for ethnic games, slides from Asian nations, and elections for next year's executive. Phone Marcus at 731-9790 for more information.

Podium

4th Annual Henry Hunt Memorial Lecture: "Hunt, Boas and the American Museum of Natural History". In a slide lecture to honour the late master carver, Chief Henry Hunt, art historian and Research Associate from the American Museum of Natural History, Dr. Aldona Jonaitis, shows outstanding examples from the thousands of artworks collected for the museum by Chief Henry's grandfather, George Hunt, and the famed anthropologist, Franz Boas. She describes the relationship of equality and mutual respect that existed between Boas and Hunt, his most valued Kwakiutl advisor. $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Free. 8:00 p.m. at the Newcombe Theatre, 675 Belleville St.

Other

The Ministry of Forests is holding a series of public information meetings on the proposed increase of Tree Farm Licence (TFL) forest land to 67 percent from the present 29 percent. The Sierra Club is renting a bus for all interested people to go up to the only meeting to be held on lower Vancouver Island, in Parksville. The bus leaves at 9 a.m., returning from Parksville at 5 p.m. Price for round trip is $12.50. Come out and give the government some input. Call the Sierra Club (386-5255) for more information.

What **IS** everyone talking about? It's got to be the upcoming **Hot Flashes Women's Cafe '50s Dance**. Imagine . . no smoke, no alcohol — just a mess of jivin' tunes complete with snowballs, spot dances, door prizes, and authentic '50s snacks. Avoid disappointment, get your tickets now. Advance sales through Everywoman's Books. Out of towners call 384-6433 to arrange ticket reservations.

SATURDAY 11

Music

Luis Gallich in Concert: Guatemala: More than Bananas and War. Luis is an award-winning Guatemalan composer, singer, guitarist, and pianist. His moving songs and poems reflect his feelings on the countryside, the human mind, traditions, life, and love. Luis performs in English, Spanish, and "The Jungle Music". Beautiful displays of Guatemalan photos and weavings will also be featured. Come and delight in this versatile performance. Young Auditorium, Camosun's Lansdowne campus, 7:30 p.m. Tickets $5 and $7 at VIDEA Global Village Store, Mezzrow's, and Carnaby Street.

SUNDAY 12

Art

Be Smart about Public Art. Learn *why* Public Art should be a part of Victoria, *how* to realize Public Art in Victoria, at a public information forum and action workshop presented by the Community Arts Council of Greater Victoria in co-operation with Open Space Gallery, at Open Space Gallery, 510 Fort St., 1 - 4 p.m.

Film

Room with a View (1986). This poignant film of E.M. Forster's novel about a young woman's struggle to escape the British class system won three academy awards. Starring Maggie Smith and newcomer Helena Bonham Carter. 117 minutes. $3, FORM $2, 12 and under $1. 2 p.m. at the Newcombe Theatre, 675 Belleville St.

Other

Sierra Club outing to Kinsol Trestle, Duncan area. Easy-moderate. Call Keith at 748-9846.

Bafo Nyanga is the new Canadian representative for the South African Congress of Trade Unions. There will be a potluck dinner at the Unitarian Church, 106 Superior St. Bring something to east, and come to chat.

MONDAY 13

University

Women and Co-dependence: free introduction to the personal and political issues of the addictive process with a focus on natural healing processes and peer counselling practise. 7 - 10 p.m. Call Women Helping Women, 370-1782, or Esther Muirhead, 385-9554.

Podium

War Games over Labrador: Daniel Ashini, Chief of the Innu, speaks on low-level military flights and a proposed NATO base in Labrador, at the Unitarian Hall, 106 Superior St., 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Canadian Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, Project North and Greater Victoria Disarmament Group. Contact Freda Knott, 384-2445 or 642-5120.

Department of Economics, Professor Kenneth E. Boulding, will be speaking on "Can We Have a Sustainable Economic Development?" 1:30 p.m., ELL 162.

TUESDAY 14

University

Martlet editorial meeting at noon in the Martlet office, SUB Room 109. Everybody write 'dem editorials!

Adult children of alcoholics is a support group that meets every Tuesday at 12:30 and 2:30 in Cor A317. For more information call 721-4876 or 479-9392.

Free Legal Information available at UVic's Law School from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Adult adoptees, birth relatives, and **adoptive parents** seeking reunions: The TRIAD Society for Truth in Adoption will meet at 7 p.m. at the Native Friendship Centre, 533 Yates St. (2nd floor). Everyone welcome. For further info, please call 598-9887.

UVic Caving Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. in SUB 146.

Podium

Ed Zietlow will be speaking on "Il Faut (d'Abord) Rire: Irreverent Anecdotes from the Hemingway Biographies", 11:30 a.m., CLE A203.

Robert Thompson from the Department of Biology, University of Victoria, will be speaking on "The Wet-Cold Exposure Syndrome: Putting the Chill on Hypothermia".

Alicia Barsallo, once a political activist in Peru, who is now living in and writing in Vancouver, will discuss her experiences in "Returning to Peru" at Amnesty International's next public meeting at 106 Superior St.

Ms. Barsallo has travelled to Peru on three occasions since immigrating to Canada in the '70s and has observed an alarming increase in human rights abuses. She currently chairs the Committee for Defense of Human Rights in Peru, co-chairs the Coalition for Justice for Refugees and Immigration, and is editor of Peru Link, a Vancouver-based publication with international distribution.

The meeting begins at 7:30, and the public is welcome. There is no admission charge.

WEDNESDAY 15

University

Women's Steering Committee meeting in the Women's Centre in the SUB at 12:30 p.m. All women are welcome!

Free Legal Information at the Law School at 3:30 p.m.

Podium

Ancient healing practices are not the legacy of the Chinese people alone. On visit from China, **Dr. Changzheng Yu**, Professor of Neurology and of traditional Chinese medicine, introduces Chinese herbs, moxibustion, shadow boxing and massage in a one-hour lecture followed by a short slide show and display of herbs and books. Four Chinese doctors offer treatments in body acupuncture, ear acupuncture, massage and prescribing of medicinal herbs. 2 hours. $2, FORM $1, 12 and under free. Treatments $5. Pre-register at the Newcombe office for treatments. 7:30 p.m., Newcombe Theatre, 675 Belleville St. For information, call 387-5822.

CONTINUING...

The Students' Union Women's Steering Committee has organized a week of speakers and events from March 6th to 12th. The key-note speakers will be Susan Cole, a prominent Canadian feminist, and Lorraine Segato, lead singer of the Parachute Club. The two of them will be speaking together on International Women's Day, March 8th, about women in the media and entertainment.

Five free courses in meditation are being offered by the students of Spiritual Master Sri Chinmoy. The courses, to be held at various locations in the city, consist of four sessions each. The emphasis will be on

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The St. Vincent de Paul Society is in desperate need of good used clothing, especially men's coats, shoes, and warm clothes for winter. If you can donate these items, we would be very grateful. Please call 727-0808 for pick-up. Items can also be dropped off at the St. Vincent de Paul store at 840 View St. Our other outlets are at 2784 Claude Road, Langford, 9788B 2nd Street, Sidney, and the Ozanam Sheltered workshop, 4341 West Saanich Road (in Royal Oak by the Quadra Street overpass). For further information please contact Donna Turner, phone 382-5024.

The Fernwood Endangered Film Festival, March 5 to April 16. Every Sunday and Tuesday, you'll be able to catch some of the most significant art and underground films of our times. Sponsored by Endangered Species Books, these films will be shown from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in the Fernwood Community Association building, 1923 Fernwood Rd.

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Billboard submissions are more than welcome. In fact, they're wanted, desired and needed. If your club, band, organization, neighbours or friends are having something on that you think people should know about, let us know, and just maybe it will be the most well-attended thing ever. Submissions due Monday noon in Room 109 SUB.

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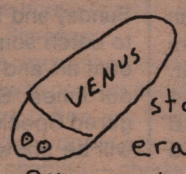
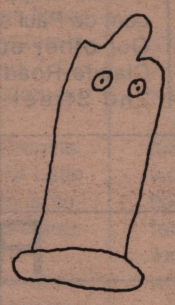
THURSDAY FUNNIES

GAY DAZE #3



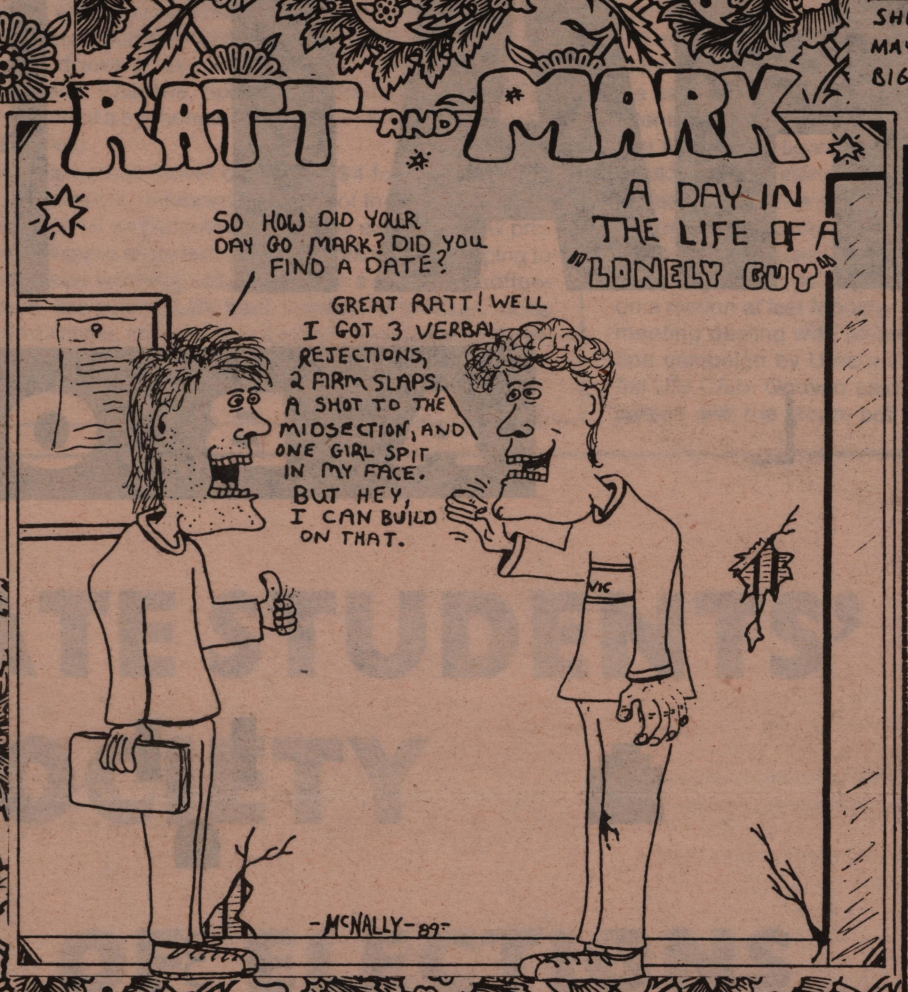
And now the continuing story of an eraser named Billy who seeks to fight sexually transmitted diseases of all types. When he knows some-one is about to make love while unprotected he quickly changes into



Captain Condom!! and saves the day.

SHUTTLE TO GROUND CONTROL... WE MAY HAVE SOMETHING NEW ON THE BIG BANG THEORY.

BILL! WHAT THE HELL DO YOU MEAN YOU SOLD THE PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS TO A CONDO DEVELOPER IN HONG KONG!
RELAX MIKE, I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING
SOLD! HONG KONG REAL ESTATE CO.
FOR A TOUR: PHONE BILL OR LILL
SL89


RATT AND MARK
A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A "LONELY GUY"
SO HOW DID YOUR DAY GO MARK? DID YOU FIND A DATE?
GREAT RATT! WELL I GOT 3 VERBAL REJECTIONS, 2 FIRM SLAPS, A SHOT TO THE MIDSECTION, AND ONE GIRL SPIT IN MY FACE. BUT HEY, I CAN BUILD ON THAT.
-McNALLY-89-

The Tehran Times

Ayatullah Ruhollah Khomeni

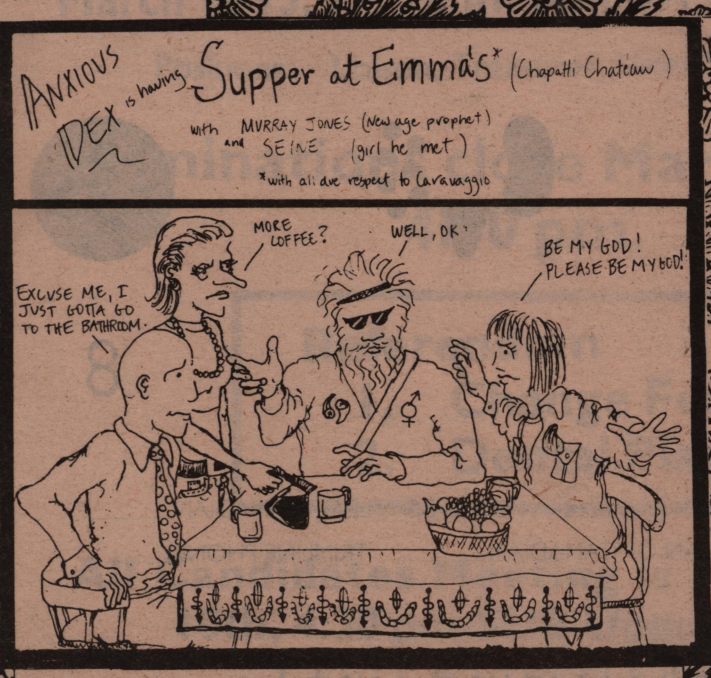
Spiritual Ruler and Literary Critic ANNOUNCES $1,000,000 Reward For the Death of GOD Blaspemous author of The Bible

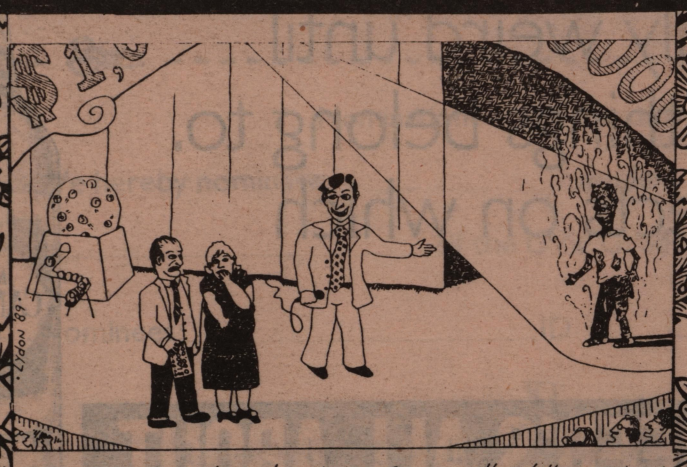
Reward includes First Class Ticket to visit the Prophet Himself!

Desperately Seeking Companions:
Author, early forties, seeks large numbers of people to crowd around and be friendly. The more the merrier. Companions with vicious dogs, or high walls around their homes are especially welcome. Interested in religion, philosphy and humour, although having second thoughts about humor. So if you like to live life on the wild side, and you don't mind starting the car in the morning, please respond to this paper ASAP. PS - Kevlar vest provided on request.

LOST:
Any respect or understanding that might have been developping between Iran and the rest of the world. Anyone finding the above mentioned respect, please do NOT notify anyone until after the Ayatullah goes on to collect his reward in the next life.

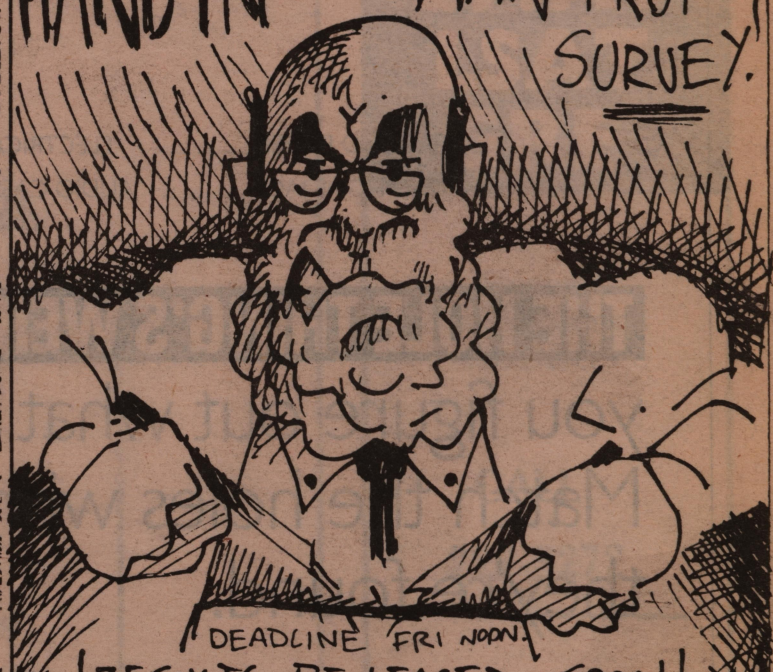
Portrait of Panic #
when i meet the gal of my dreams? ...no... Ms. Right? no...
tell me, dear - when are you getting married?
um...
the family dinner.


Anxious Dex is having Supper at Emma's* (Chapatti Chateau)
with MURRAY JONES (new age prophet)
and SEINE (girl he met)
*with all due respect to Caravaggio
EXCUSE ME, I JUST GOTTA GO TO THE BATHROOM.
MORE COFFEE?
WELL, OK
BE MY GOD! PLEASE BE MY GOD!



Due to an equivalent likelihood of winning the lottery jackpot and being struck twice by lightning, the lucky contestants are obliged to meet an unfortunate statistical necessity.

TOUGH MIDTERM?!
[WANT SOME REVENGE]
HAND IN THAT DAMN PROF SURVEY!



!RESULTS RELEASED SOON!
(SUB 109)
DROP BY THE MARTLET,
HAND IT IN, AND HEY, TAKE A STORY!

Candidates for President

LISE-LOTTE LOOMER — PRESIDENT

I am running for President because I have the experience and dedication which will make me an effective voice for you. With fading electoral fortunes, the Provincial Government has finally discovered the damage that years of underfunding has done to our post-secondary education system. Now is the time we can lobby for, and get, a freeze on tuition fees and capital construction grants to deal with the overcrowding in our classrooms.

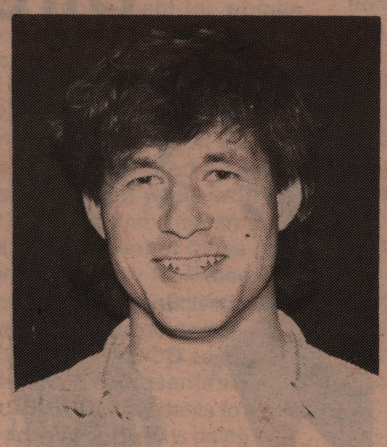
My two years of service as an AMS director and Vice-President Services has given me the skills neccessary to do an efficient job as President. I have also worked with students across Canada as a delegate to Canadian Federation of Students General Meetings, and would continue to ensure that UVic retains its prominent role within the Federation. As a director on the National BACCUS Board, I will continue to promote responsible attitudes towards drinking.

We have already obtained matching government grants for the expansion of our Student's Society's Daycare Facilities, I am confident that we can obtain similar grants for the expansion of our Student Union Building. With such funding, expansion will finally become a reality.

Having established our independence, I will work towards a co-operative relationship with the administration. This will be especially important given the impact the Commonwealth Games will have on our campus.

I would like to see the increase in campus security at night. The shortage of properly lit pathways places students at risk. The campus recycling program requires expansion, and Food Services should be required to use environmentally safe materials. As President, I will work with our student representatives on the Senate and Board of Governors to have these and other problems addressed within the next year.

For an experienced, hardworking and progressive President, VOTE LISE-LOTTE LOOMER on March 14 and 15.



SEAN MURRAY — PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

Tuition and Government Relations:

In order to achieve better funding for our university it is imperative that good relations be established with the government and the public. As a student, I must represent the political interests of all students whether they be New Democrats, Liberals, Conservatives, or Socreds. As a student leader I have little political clout and therefore must rely on diplomacy to achieve advancement of educational causes. The hostility displayed towards government in the past has given us lower funding, and higher tuition.

Medical and dental:

I have been following the progress of the medical and dental plan. I support the principles of extended coverage for students. The cost is marginal and the benefits are worthwhile. It is an issue for referendum and can be considered separately from other election issues. If is passes, I will ensure that we get a good plan that benefits all students and is cost efficient.

S.U.B. Expansion:

The incumbents want to finance a deficit for the next seven years and raise the building fee by ten dollars a year to build office space with your money. I do not believe that we, as students in general, have a lot to gain by this. I support an expansion of the common area such as the cafeteria and pub, that can be paid for with current funding. Revenue generated from these areas can be reinvested into the building and the student society in general.

Charity:

Charity starts at home. Many students really do have difficulties with food and tuition. I would like to establish a students for students program through which a clothing bin and food bin and perhaps grocery vouchers are made available to needy students. This could be funded by donations.

Candidates for VP Services

Campaign platform of Brian D. Clarke — V.P. Services

ELVIS IS EVERYWHERE! Most students don't care much about our elections. Who can blame them? They're dull. Lifeless. Boring Major Yawnsville. What's needed here is someone exciting and outrageous enough to spark student interest. Someone who doesn't look like a refugee from an accounting firm, either! Someone who isn't afraid to take on powerful organizatons in defense of the "little people". Someone capable of dealing with unruly mobs like the BOG and the Senate. Somone who isn't afraid to admit he's from the Faculty of Fine Arts. Someone who can lead effectively without acting like a cure for insomnia. Someone like . . . me!

Not convinced yet? Listen to **these** policies! (Watch out! Some are actually serious!)

1) Guarantee that CFUV will never, EVER, become an "oldies" station, playing nothing but classic hits from the sixties and seventies.

2) Treat the Fine Arts students on campus with some respect, for once.

3) Get some concrete action on Daycare and a Dental PLan!

4) Keep a nonpartisan position on political affairs by accepting money from everyone (with the possible exception of Iran).

5) Stop tuition increases by having everyone send their payment increase directly to the BOG and then turning these money-hungry mercenaries over to Revenue Canada.

6) Better yet, have everyone submit their payment in coinage. That'll fix 'em!

7) Achieve better turnouts at general meetings by holding them at Felicita's.

8) Introduce strict guidelines about the use of bacteriological weapons in election campaigns.

9) Get more money for housing by turning Ring Road into a toll highway. (Why not? It worked for the Coquihalla . . .)

10) Attempt to prove the hypothesis that politicians would get more done if they would stop taking themselves so seriously.

N.B. Naturally, I will withdraw from the race if I recieve a sufficiently large sum of money. (Offer void where prohibited).

Mojgan Diba - V.P. Services

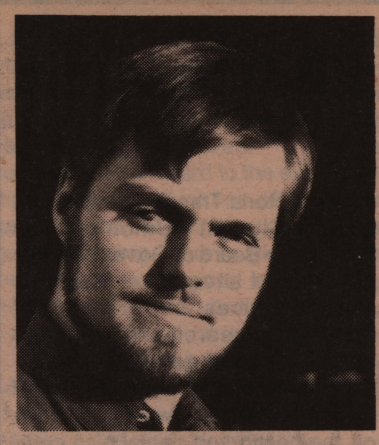
If elected as V.P. Services, my main objective will be to encourage involvement in campus activities, by both International Foreign Students as well as Canadian Students. It is my belief that we should keep our campuses international. Therefore, in support of International Students, I will work towards both the elimination of differential fees and the establishment of an International House on campus. As well, I look forward to the creation of Exchange Programs for students from developing nations.

With respect to Alcohol Awareness, I support the ongoing BACCHUS Program. I will seek campus and community support in order to further its effectiveness.

To maintain a high level of club activity, I favour looking at alternative ways of funding clubs, in addition to the existing means, and fully support the co-sponsoring of speakers and subsidization of Club Educational/Cultural events. In addition, I will work towards scheduling events during Christmas Holidays, and the Spring/Summer term, for those students who remain in Victoria.

I believe in SUB expansion, and will look into building a foundation of support services for all types of families. Single parents, mature students, Native students, physically disabled students, and various other special needs groups require expansion of current services, as well as more services to be initiated which gear towards their needs. If elected, I will become actively involved in pursuing these initiatives.

For the past year I have served as a director of the Students' Society (AMS). In January of 1989, International Foreign Students Committee, of which I am Chair, was struck. I have also sat on the Finance Committee, as well as the Course Union Committee. I am a fourth year English-German major, and a member of the German Club. I am capable of serving effectively as V.P. Services.



Ted Godwin — V.P. Services

Over the course of the past year I have become very familiar with the activities of the Vice-President Services. I feel that I have the experience and leadership abilities to effectively fulfill my responsibilities as an executive of your Student Society.

One of the prime concerns of the VP Services is clubs. I have sat on Clubs Council for the last two years, first as a representative of clubs and this last year as a representative of the Board of Directors. I would like to improve opportunities for students to get involved in clubs, and I also hope to coordinate more fundraising activities so that all clubs will continue to get the kind of budgets they require to maintain programming.

Another area of importance for the VP Services is as chair of the SUB Management Board. Having been a representative on this board I look forward to working with the staff and especially our new General Manager. .

These two areas come together in one of my main concerns for the future. We are moving closer to the date when ground will be broken on the expansion of the Student Union Building. Construction must begin within the next three years if we are to be prepared for the Commonwealth Games of 1994. It is essential that we make decisions soon, and I will work to ensure that the plans include those concerns expressed by many students. These include: more facilities for clubs and course unions; expanded office space for the *Martlet*, the Women's Centre, V.I.PIRG, the Campus Used Bookstore and other groups; and more cafeteria space for both food service and dances.

This is not an exhaustive list of ideas, but rather a beginning from which we can build.

Candidates for VP Finance

BRIAN MENZIES — VP FINANCE

Last year, University of Victoria Students contributed approximately $500,000 to our Students' Society — no small sum.

The Vice-President Finance is responsible for accurately reporting the status of this money and also for facilitating its allocation to clubs, course unions, SUB building funds and other activities developed during the year. The VP Finance does this by first assessing the Society's current financial situation, and then creating the projected budget to be followed for the upcoming year.

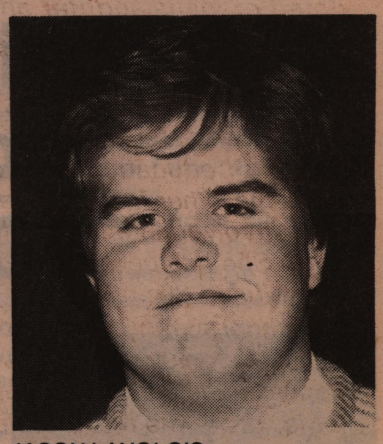
The VP Finance needs to be approachable and open to dialogue to you, because it is your money, and you have the right to ask your Finance representative for an accounting of budgetary decisions and to give input as to how your money should be spent.

I have demonstrated my dedication and reliability to you over the past year as a Director by regularily attending BOD meetings, General meetings and actively taking part in Student Society campaigns. As the current Canadian Federation of Students-Pacific Region Treasurer, I have experience in making financial decisions. Also I have demonstrated my ability to work cooperatively with others by being involved with the following committees: Finance, Fund-raising, Organizational development, SUB expansion, International House, Joint Council, and Ombudsperson.

I will continue to work diligently for you, especially on these issues:

- Matching grants for SUB expansion.
- Development of an International House.
- Vend cards for photocopiers in the SUB.
- External funding from private and public sources.
- Regular budget updates to the BOD and General Meetings.
- Expansion of the recycling program.
- Establishing Students' Society Scholarships.
- Continued growth of daycare funding.

Please come out and hear me and others speak on Monday, March 13 at 12:30 p.m. in the Cincenta.



JASON LANGLOIS — VP FINANCE

Why should you vote for me in the coming election? This is a question I have asked myself repeatedly since deciding to run for V.P. Finance. I have experience to do the job:

- budgeted for the construction of a pub
- acted as assistant manager for a video chain
- member of the Club's Council this year
- active on the SUB Expansion Committee and the Handbook Planning Committee
- President and Treasurer of Games Club for past two years, currently Vice President of the Lobby Club
- attended 80 - 90% of this year's Director's Meetings and followed their activities closely
- Member of the University Senate

I also have decided what I will accomplish during my term in office:

- to begin Sub Expansion this year
- more funding for Course Unions
- lobby University to freeze tuition
- make information about the Society finances available to students on a regular basis
- work within the existing budget

It is on this basis I ask you to elect me. Not because I am New Democrat or Progressive Conservative, left or right, because you like me or don't, but because I am a student, like you, with a concern for how my and your money is being spent. My opponent(s) may question my credibility, and wonder about the seriousness of my campaign. I am serious — the responsibility of the position demands it. Think about who you are going to vote for, then do so March 14 and 15. Get involved.

Candidates for VP Academic

KELLY ABEYSINGHE — VP ACADEMIC

It was this time last year when I knew I wanted to get involved with other students to work for a better university, and I wanted others to join us. My interests lay in the Student Issues Action Committee, the forum in which we address those issues directly affecting our ability to enter university and the quality of the education we receive.

I chaired the committee from September onward, and am proud of the goals we reached as a group: the National Student's Day press conference, federal election issues speakers, the If You Love Education campaign, the transit presentation to the Victoria Transit Commission, and the Student's Union's tuition brief to the Board of Governors. We considered alternative Student's Union Services, and carried out constant research around those chronic student problems of day-care, accessibility, financial aid and library shortages. I was also active on the health and dental plan committee, as well as several others.

Working closely with this year's V.P. Academic, I have come to learn what the job requires. Continuing education defense, liasing the Canadian Federation of Students, bringing in a wide variety of speakers, and co-ordinating fund-raising events with course unions, are all initiatives I look forward to continuing. I will also raise our profile in the public in general, as well as strengthen our ties in the community through liasing with city councils. Through these ties, we can continue to pursue transit issues and seek initiatives in the area of low-cost housing for singles and families.

The coming year will bring a government response to the crisis facing the PSE system. The Students' Union has many new services in the making. I look forward to playing a role in these changes and continuing my involvement in the Canadian student movement.

Candidates for BOG

Annalyn Andal — BOG

I am currently the student representative for the Faculty of Human and Social Development on the University senate, and I am a member of the committee on admissions and registration.

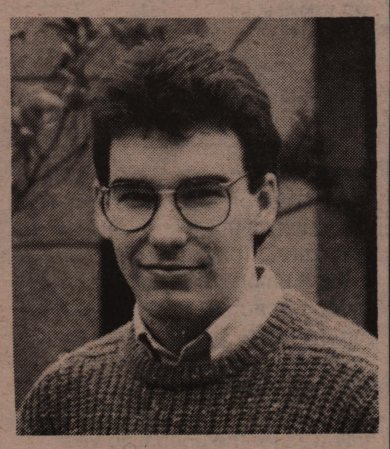
I am also the treasurer of the Child and Youth Care course union. I have been involved in many committees within the course union.

The students' representatives on the Board of Governors must possess the ability to effectively communicate with and lobby the other members of the Board of Governors. I have the experience, enthusiasm and ability to effectively represent you.

The Board of Governors is the highest decision-making body at the University, and is dominated by government appointed positions. There are two positions available for students on this board.

Gary and I feel that a balanced team can accomplish the most from these positions. We each have complementary strengths and experience to bring to the board, and hope to serve as effective representatives for students.

Thank you.

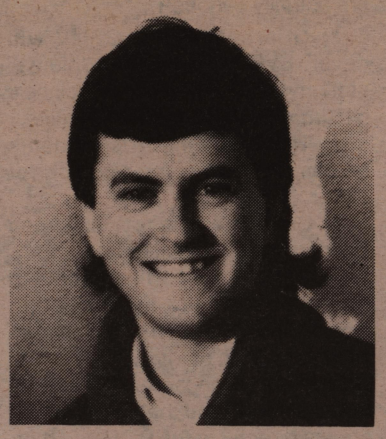


Robbie Flemming — BOG

The majority of the Board of Governors are appointed by the government, and are removable at the whim of the provincial cabinet. This means that the BOG is not a group of people getting together to decide what is best for the university, rather it is a group of government appointees getting together to decide what is the path of least resistance to the government.

The only effective approach for students in such an environment is to take an opposition role. This means asking the uncomfortable and unpopular questions, and publicizing university issues as much as possible. Real change will only occur when there is a change of government policy. Lobbying the BOG will not change government policy. Putting public pressure on the government will.

This past year, we did our best to hold Board members accountable for their actions by questioning them forcefully and directly. What we need now is a mandate from students to keep up the pressure. What we don't need is two innocent student representatives whom the Board can take under their arms and explain how the world really works. For a strong progressive voice on the Board of Governors, I ask for your support.



Gary Gisel — BOG —

I am currently the Students' Society Vice-President Finance, and was a director of the Students' Society in 1987/88. During this time I have served on the Finance, Handbook and SUB Expansion Committees. I have also been a member of the contract negotiating team and hiring committees. Additionally, I have been on several university committees including the Campus Development committee and University Centre management board. During my time on the Students' Society board and executive I have met with many of the members of administration that I will be working with at the Board of Governors and have developed an ability to work with them to help students.

I feel that my greatest strengths are the ability to work with people, dedication to the positions I have held and extensive experience dealing with the university administration.

What is needed on the Board of Governors is effective representation of students' views.

Annalyn and I have the necessary skills and experience to ensure that we are an effective team of representatives.

We believe that working with people is going to be the most effective method of advocating student rights.

In short we support a spirit of co-operation, not confrontation.

Thank you.

I am an honest ape.

I have seen the forest and the trees.

I will work for expansion of the sub to include a sanctuary for fellow monkeys, with a kiosk providing peanut butter and banana sandwiches served on biodegradable, environmentally sound palm leaves.

Equality and involvement of primates are important, but only after our jungle is safe from the horrors of a greedy, irresponsible government which seems to think we're running a zoo! I put my paw down — gorilla warfare on underfunding!

With a shipment of bananas, I can be convinced to run for my native Africa.

VOTE for MONKEY!

"QUESTION PERIOD"
MONDAY MARCH 13TH
12:30 P.M.
CINECENTA
COME OUT AND
GRILL THE CANDIDATES
IT'S YOUR CHOICE: RARE
MEDIUM
WELL
DONE

Candidates for Director

Shannon McAleese — Director

I have been working around the Board of Directors for the last two years, and I would like to become part of that decision-making process. I want to increase awareness of environmental issues, such as the need for more recycling and less use of non-recyclable goods in our food services. I want to be certain that the SUB expansion is accessible for differently abled students as well as lobbying the federal and provincial governments for matched funding. I would also like to see the Women's Centre have a higher profile. I personally feel that the people running for positions on the UVSS board are all talented, and I would like to share in the collective decision-making process.

Claire Heffernan - Director

Inspired by the tactics of the last federal election I decided if I was going to litter the campus with posters they should include a meaningful message — Don't use styrofoam cups — Bring a mug!! In my wilder moments I had visions of a unique "win a mug" campaign. Campus capitalists could realize tremendous profits in the mug industry and join forces with socialists to further the destiny of humankind to live in peace and harmony. Then I realized I was broke and the great mug giveaway fizzled like student loans in January.

I am a mature student and hope to bring to the AMS skills and experience I have acquired during my 15 years out in the workforce. Some of my achievements include helping to establish a 300-unit housing co-operative and organizing seminars on environmental issues.

My proposals include:

- A sauna and whirlpool in the gym
- Reduce pesticides on campus
- Monitor the impact of construction on campus
- Improve food, health and dental care services
- Establish a co-ordinating centre to improve existing student services, and create new services.

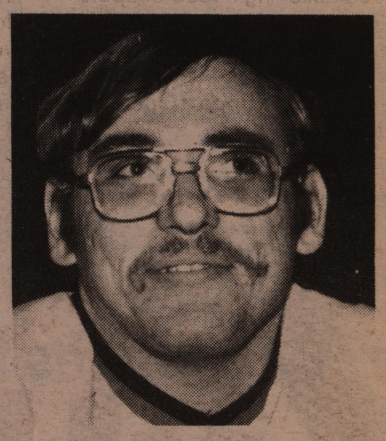
On March 14 and 15 get your mug out of the caf and vote for my mug!

Leena Sarkar — Director

I feel that our campus policies should reflect our academic awareness about many issues.

For one thing, an effort should be made to make the campus safer and less alienating for women. This includes better lighting, increased and more accessible security at night, as well as more considerate planning of night courses. Also, it would be great to reach the point where gender-exclusive language was completely removed from university life, including its language use in textbooks, lectures, and course descriptions in the university calendar. We should have a much more inclusive recycling project, which would include getting rid of styrofoam, cutting back on the use of other disposable, non-biodegradable objects, and establishing more paper, glass, and metal collection sites. Work study positions could be created to carry out these initiatives.

Also, I am interested in organizing workshops for students to learn how and when to appeal grades, and what action students can take, without fear of retaliation, about unfair practices that they may encounter at university. I would like to work on making campus life less stressful for the physically challenged and other minority students.



George Pringle — Director

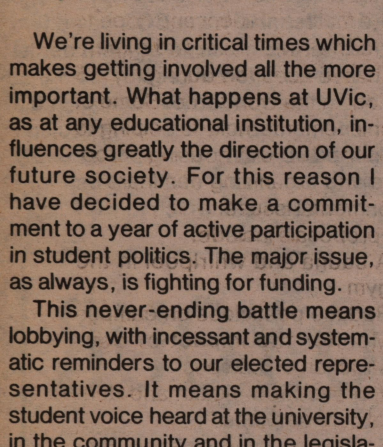
The Board of Directors has become more distant from the student body this year. Both General Meetings and the weekly Board meetings had less people attending than last year. As usual the directors avoid any responsibility and blame the apathetic students, but it's the duty of the Board to communicate to the students, not wait for the students to come to them. If elected, I will establish a newsletter to get information to the students in a readable fashion. I will also ensure that the agenda and minutes are posted as they were in the past.

Cathy Richardson — Director

We're living in critical times which makes getting involved all the more important. What happens at UVic, as at any educational institution, influences greatly the direction of our future society. For this reason I have decided to make a commitment to a year of active participation in student politics. The major issue, as always, is fighting for funding.

This never-ending battle means lobbying, with incessant and systematic reminders to our elected representatives. It means making the student voice heard at the university, in the community and in the legislature. I believe education is a priority. Studying in Europe has shown me that high quality accessible post-secondary education is possible if society is willing to make a commitment to it. Education should not be elitist. I encourage students to come to me with their concerns.

I am sensitive to issues concerning women and minority groups on campus. I would like to see the campus made safer for women and more accessible for students with special needs. I am enthusiastic about establishing a food cooperative to help students keep food costs down. There's a lot to be done. I will work hard and hope for student input, support and constructive criticism.



Elizabeth Loughran — Director

Do yourself a favour and vote for a director who is dedicated and looks to the future. After my first year representing students on the Board of Directors I'm ready to apply the skills I've learned to next year's initiatives, like improving campus access for physically challenged students, and establishing a campus safety program to make UVic a safer place at night.

I have an interest in the success of UVic's employment equity program. Student input is crucial here in order to help eradicate barriers to campus employment for women, Natives, minorities, and the physically challenged.

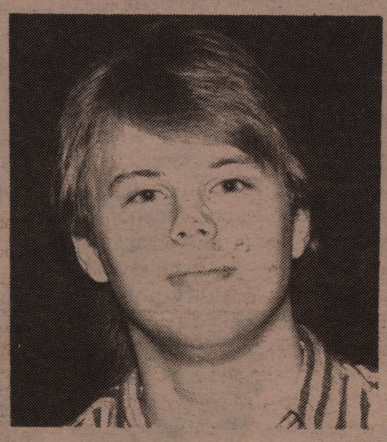
I'm ready to continue the quest for increased funding for post-secondary education so that students won't feel exasperated by lack of course selection while worrying about how to pay next month's rent.

The achievement of these goals can be more easily facilitated if we expand the representative base of next year's student government. Restructuring the BOD to include course union representatives will open channels for students to have a say in how our society is being run.

Here I am, a sucker for hard work and open minded too, so please vote for me on March 14/15. And see you next year.

Alan Ross — Director

I am pleased to be running for a position on the Board of Directors of the AMS. My inspiration comes from my belief that the decision-making process should continue to represent all the diverse views of the student body as fairly as possible. If I am elected I will ensure that all sides, whether they be left of centre, right of centre, or centre, be contemplated by the Board before reaching a decision. I am excited the University will play, in the upcoming years, a large role in the Commonwealth Games; however, I am also aware that dangers arise when allocating resources that this large undertaking involves. Therefore, I hope to promote a scrupulous AMS body that would make sure the students' interests come first. In the spirit of this attitude I will take a firm stance against tuition increases, a firm stance for improving library services, and for reviewing the price and quality of food services; students must be ensured the best quality. Finally, I am an avid believer in the recycling program that is already underway at the University. A vote for me is a vote for student representation where the student comes first.



Jim Cowling - Director

Let's keep it simple. I promise to do the following:

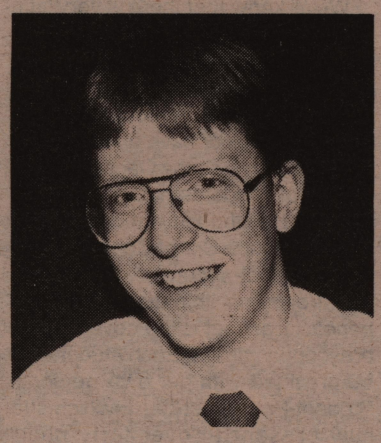
1) Never accept any honoraria, kickbacks, or other UVSS funds for what should be my duty to the student population.

2) Never seek to pander to special interest groups which do not hold the opinion of a significant percentage of the student population. Also, I will accept no endorsements from student political clubs.

3) If elected, I will act as a true student representative, conferring with other students as to what should be done on campus and with student issues.

4) I will not, if elected, use the Board of Directors as a platform for my own personal causes and vendettas, unless they reflect the views of a significant percentage of the student population.

Thank you for reading, and I hope that you vote for me come March 14th and 15.



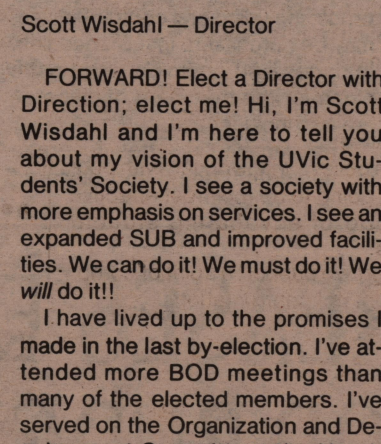
Scott Wisdahl — Director

FORWARD! Elect a Director with Direction; elect me! Hi, I'm Scott Wisdahl and I'm here to tell you about my vision of the UVic Students' Society. I see a society with more emphasis on services. I see an expanded SUB and improved facilities. We can do it! We must do it! We *will* do it!!

I have lived up to the promises I made in the last by-election. I've attended more BOD meetings than many of the elected members. I've served on the Organization and Development Committee, the Handbook Committee, the Ombudsperson's Advisory Committee and the SUB Expansion Committee.

I was elected to the UVic Senate last March. I sit on the Admission and Reregistration Committee, and sat on the Awards Committee. I have dealt with many of UVic's administrators and members of the B.C. Government's Access on Education Committee. I have just been acclaimed to the Senate again so I will be able to bring the Society's message to the Senate.

I have proved my ability to do hard work. I am experienced. This election, vote for a candidate who WILL make a difference. Vote Wisdahl.



Barry K. Mullen — Director

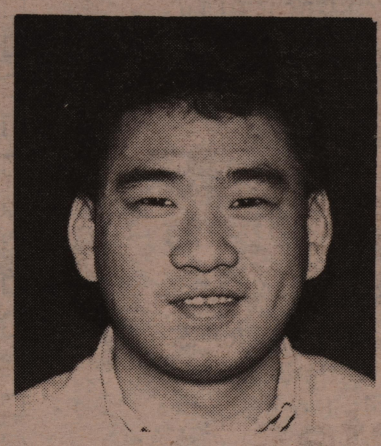
The best reason for my decision to run in this election is as a middle-of-the-road alternative to the left and right wing candidates seeking your vote.

My major concerns are daycare funding, tuition fees and a student society that is not of an elitist mentality. In addition, I propose a referendum or large-scale survey to gauge student reaction to telephone registration. It may be here to stay, but it could be improved.

Arrogance on the Board to the extent that international issues often take precedence over regional concerns is disturbing. True, a global perspective creates a good image for the student society, but it isolates the majority of the student body. All too often these international issues are raised by self-interested directors and their friends. Such actions are insensitive to the whole of the student populace. In short, issues nearer Ring Road should comprise the majority of the Society's time and energy.

My experience with this Society includes work on the Sub Expansion Committee as well as being a Director in 1984 - 85.

If elected I will be accessible to the electorate by establishing office hours to address your problems and proposals.



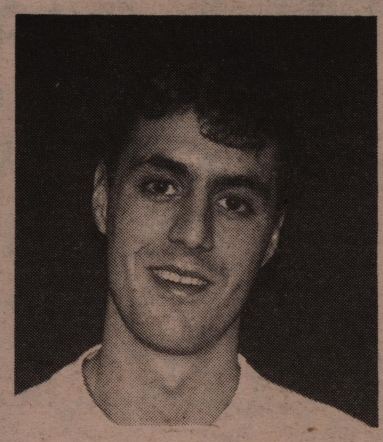
Edwin Leong — Director

Edwin Leong is a first year student majoring in Political Science. As a residence student, Edwin is the President of Lansdowne Residences and a member of the 1988/89 Joint Residences Council.

As a director on the Students' Society, Edwin will bring in his experience and strive towards looking out for your concerns. One of the many problems Edwin wants to tackle is student apathy.

Edwin wants to see more student participation in student politics because without participation, the student representatives are unable to gauge the opinions of students and therefore unable to adequately represent them. Edwin Leong will work hard to improve student participation in campus politics.

Edwin Leong is also supported by the UVic Young Liberals.



Bruce St. John — Director

Another election is here, and with it another feast of campaign speeches and slogans. We've heard and read them: "Increase library hours", "SUB expansion", "Stop student apathy", and of course all candidates are "reliable and accessible." I've been here four years, and every year the candidates say the same things, but little is done. I don't know why, and that's why I'm running for BOD, to find out what's wrong and hopefully change it.

I'm like the majority of the students at UVic — I go to the SUB, library, and the occasional basketball game. Every year I pay my AMS dues, and never know where they go. I think this has to change. The average student needs to be represented in the AMS, not by an activitist or a politician, but by a student. If I'm elected I will do all I can to work for the student population. You won't see me at marches or rallies, but if there is something affects you directly, I will be there.

Campaign presentation — GORD LEWIS

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yes Robin, Lilly and I are both well aware of your efforts. But, what will you do with this degree?

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Robin, please consider what I have to say.

Unhun . . .

Your mother and I know you have a good heart, but there comes a time in every little birdie's life when that birdie must grow strong, sharp talons in order to provide for themselves and protect their loved ones.

Butwatcanldo? I'm justastupend . . .

lots of things, my boy. If disparity's a concern, enter politics . . .

OK I'LLDOIT!!! . . .

Don't forget to vote

ELECTION OF STUDENTS TO THE
UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS
BY AMS AND GSS MEMBERS

Notice of Vote

POLLING STATIONS:

ROOM 101, SEDGEWICK BLDG.
Thursday, March 9 to Wednesday, March 15
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(weekdays only)

ALL AMS POLLING STATIONS
Tuesday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 15
9:00 a.m to 4:30 p.m.

R. Ferry, Registrar

REFERENDA QUESTIONS

Referenda Question No. 1

Are you in favour of a student health care plan at a cost of $2.95 per month that includes, but is not limited to, the following services?

- 100% coverage of prescription drugs including oral contraceptives
- Accidental death and dismemberment insurance
- Tutorial benefit in the event of an accident causing confinement to house or hospital for 30 consecutive days
- Out of province emergency benefits

We all know that there is very little room in a student's budget for health costs. And, despite what you may think, B.C. Medical does not cover all the costs incurred when you become ill or have an accident.

As a safety net, the Canadian Federation of Students has organized a Student Health Plan with the Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Canada. More than ten post-secondary institutions are already participating. The most beneficial aspect is the coverage for prescription drugs. Each student will be provided with her own personal Student-Pay-Direct-Card, which she may present to over forty pharmacies in Victoria, or one of many more across Canada. No money is required; up to $1,000.00 worth of drugs, including oral contraceptives, may be purchased. Insulin, needles, syringes and chemical diagnostic aides for the treatment of diabetes are also included.

The plan also includes coverage for accidental death and dismemberment, as well as a supplementary health benefit which covers the following: dental accident expense, ambulance benefit, tutorial benefit, out-of-province emergency expenses, and expenses for accidental injuries.

Both full and part time students at UVic will be automatically covered for these, and other benefits not outlined here. Students will be able to enroll their families in the plan, and those already covered by a supplementary health plan may opt out. The plan would be in place for one year, starting in September of 1989, at the end of which time the Board of Directors would have to run a new referendum. The cost of the Student Health Plan is $2.81 per student per month, plus a 14¢ per student per month fee for local administration of the plan. The Board of Directors encourages you to vote "yes".

Referenda Question No. 2

Do you support, in principle, the University of Victoria Students' Society participating in a dental plan; such a plan would contain a provision for opting out if you are already covered by another dental care plan?

(This is only a survey. The results are not binding.)

In conjunction with the UVic Students Society's General Election and Health Plan referendum, students will also be asked, FOR SURVEY PURPOSES ONLY, whether or not they would like the Board of Directors to take the necessary steps toward implementation of a student dental plan. This, of course, would include a future referendum, at which time you can accept or reject the plan chosen by your Board of Directors.

As students, our teeth are probably the most neglected aspect of our health. Because dental care is so costly, students rarely visit a dentist during the four or five years we attend post-secondary institutions. To bring our dental health up to standard after we graduate, we often face excessive amounts of dental care and the consequent costs. For this reason, the Canadian Federation of Students has designed several dental plans at varying costs that would be appropriate for students.

To achieve a greater sense of what the dental care needs of students at UVic are, the Board of Directors and V.I. PIRG have been carrying out a random survey of the campus. Through this, we hope to discover how many students already have coverage and how many don't. We will also determine how much those who want dental insurance want to pay, and what they would like to see included in a plan. The Board of Directors will use this information to determine the most appropriate plan. If you would like to make any suggestions, please come by the SUB, room 135, or watch for informational forums in the fall.

This referendum will contribute to the more specific survey, and will serve to gauge a broader student response to the issue. The results will determine if the BOD has a firm mandate to pursue a student dental care plan. Please keep in mind that voting "yes" does not lock us into a plan, nor does voting "no" preclude our participation in a plan. It merely gives the Board of Directors more information with which to work.

ARE TUITION INCREASES EATING INTO YOUR FOOD BUDGET?

- Did you know tuition has increased 112% in the last eight years from $679.00 to $1470.00?
- Are you aware the Board of Governors is proposing another 4% to 6% increase?
- Can you afford to pay another $59.00 to $88.00 in tuition fees — up to $1558.00 per year?

ARE YOU PISSED OFF!?!

WELL, COME TO THE BEGGARS' BANQUET!!

FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH
11:30 AM TO 1:30 PM
SUB UPPER LOUNGE
BEFORE THE BOG MEETING

FREE KRAFT DINNNER
BANQUET
WITH . . .
"THE HARD ROCK MINERS"